# **DUNSON IS SHOT DOWN BY COOPER**

Terrible Tragedy Takes Place On the Streets of LaGrange.

WAS A COLD BLOODED MURDER

Claude Dunson Was Acting the Part of Peacemaker.

DOUGLASS COOPER HOTLY RESENTED IT

Knocked Off His Victim's Hat and Shot While He Was Picking It Up-Murderer Escaped and Rewards Are Offered for His Capture.

LaGrange, Ga., December 24.-(Special.)-Douglass Cooper killed Claude Dunson this afternoon at 2 o'clock, on the public square, the shooting being entirely unprovoked. The murderer fled and has not been captured.

Douglass Cooper is a son of Mr. J. N. Cooper, one of the oldest merchants in this city, whose store is about middle way of the block on the west side of the public square. Young Cooper has been virtually the manager of the business, as Mr. Cooper is in very feeble health.

It seems that during the day a negro did some trading there and money was nged and the negro went out. Later on the pegro came back with a worn dime. which he said was given him there in hange and that he could not pass it.

From a statement of one of Mr. Cooper' lent when he was told that he did not get the dime there and that he must get out, as they were not going to give him another

Dunson Attempted to Interfere. Young Cooper came up and told the negro to get out or he would cut his throat. The negro went out and when outside began to curse and said he was on the public streets, his tone of voice and manner of speech ndicating that he would do worse than talk if any one came out for him. Douglass boper went out after the negro and Wade McCain went out with him, telling him to come back, as the negro was going off, and

egro or found him in front of Dunson store, on the south side of the square, and began to quarrel with Suddenly Cooper reached back to draw his pistol. Claude Dunson, who was standing by, saw him and grabbed at him,

Peacemaker Is Shot Down. "Oh, Douglass, don't do that; he hasn't

Whereupon Cooper struck Dunson and knocked his hat off. Dunson stooped to pick it up and as he

was raising up with it Cooper shot him, the ball entering the left eye and coming out Dunson fell and was picked up by friends and carried into Ferrel & Burke's drug

store, where he lingered for about one hour without uttering a word after he was Claude Dunson was one of the most pop

ular young men in our city, and when he stepped forward to prevent a friend from committing murder, he was himself shot down. No ill feeling existed between Dunson and Cooper, but Cooper was too quick to act on the impulse of the moment, and through this impulsiveness he murdered a

Cooper Makes His Escape. When Cooper realized what he had done he proceeded to make his escape by jumping on the first horse he found fied to a rack. Just at the city's limit he abandoned his horse, but whether he got on

The sheriff, with a posse, is now out after Cooper, who is thought to be not far away

Claude Dunson was a brother of Colone J. E. Dunson and O. A. Dunson, two of LaGrange's leading citizens, and was a nember of the firm of Dunson Bros., which is composed of J. E., Albert and Claude E. Dunson. Both young men were members of the Knights of Pythias at this place and were each about twenty-four years

Brothers Offer a Reward. The brothers of Claude Dunson, who was murdered this afternoon, have offered a reward of \$250 for the arrest of his slayer.

Governor Atkinson Will Issue a Proc

lamation This Morning. When Governor Atkinson arrives at his ecutive office this morning one of the first acts of the day will be to issue a procnation directing the secretary of state o issue a reward of \$250 for the capture of Douglass Cooper, who killed Claude Dun-

son in LaGrange yesterday afternoon. afternoon, and the reward will be issued on the information obtained by him yesRACE TROUBLES ARE OVER NEGROES AT MAYFIELD, KY., SIGN PETITION FOR PEACE.

The Town Is Rapidly Quieting and the Officials Are Making Some New Laws.

from Mayfield, Ky., says that all fears of further race troubles are rapidly passing away. At a mass meeting last night a petition signed by over one hundred negroes, asking for peace, was read and

The excitement immediately died away, and many of the armed citizens and volum teers from surrounding towns returned to their homes. This morning a squad of deputies patrolled the town, but there were no disorderly characters to be found on the streets. Nothing remains to tell the story of the race trouble but three newlymade graves in a corner of the potter's field, the charred ruins of four houses and hundreds of bullet holes in buildings and

Will Suett, the negro killed yesterday morning at the railway station, had just returned from St. Louis to spend Christmas at home. His death was declared unpro voked, and the white citizens are now raising a fund to support his aged mother. The town council has declared from now on all idlers moust be off the streets at 10

CHILDREN BURNED TO DEATH. Mrs. McKim Leaves Her Children

Alone and They Burn the House. Franklin, Pa., December 24.-The ignaling of a match which the children of Philip McKim, of Rockland township, were trying to take from the pocket of an oily pair of trousers of their father yesterday, started a fire in which three of the little ones were burned to death, and the house

Orcutt To Go to Pieces.

night's storm was the most severe of the

season here, a gale being accompanied by

snow and sleet. During the storm the

schooner Calvin B. Orcutt, of Perth Am-

boy, was wrecked and her entire crew lost.

Men were seen lashed to the rigging, but

the last spark of life had ebbed away be-

fore help arrived. This was at 2 o'clock

and fifteen minutes later the masts fell.

the schooner split open and the sea claimed

At daylight this morning only the keel of the vessel remained. The masts and

broken pieces of the hull were scattered

It is thought that the bodies are yet in

the rigging, but the sea is rough and they

will be torn to pieces before it is safe for a

TWO CHRISTMAS EVE SUICIDES.

Woman Drinks Carbolic Acid and a

Man Hangs Himself.

wife of Salvatore Decarlo, a musician, who

has his home on the top floor of the flat-

house at 221 East Ninety-fifth street, took

three ounces of carbolic acid this evening

and died fifteen minutes afterward. She

was believed to be temporarily insane

of a bedroom of his flat.

being out of work.

New York, December 24.-There were two

about in the greatest confusion.

boat to get out to them.

Chatham, Mass., December 24.-Last

other three were found later.

estroyed. Mrs. Mckim had gone to a neighbor's house, leaving her four children alone. She saw smoke arising from her home, and, with her brother-in-law, James Taylor, hurried to the house.

another young man of this city, and claims Taylor rescued one child, which was nearly suffocated. The charred bones of the

groom has yet been taken, but this will SCHOONER'S ENTIRE CREW LOST. be followed by all possible measures to Severe Storm Causes the Calvin B. have the marriage set aside.

> TURKISH TROOPS GIVE TROUBLE REGIMENT FROM YEMEN MAKES A DEMAND FOR PAY.

> Refused to Leave the Ship Until the Money Was Forthcoming-Were Finally Paid.

Constantinople, December 24.-A few days ago a regiment of Turkish troops from Yemen, Asiatic Turkey, embarged at Hodelda, on the Red sea, on board a government transport en route for Constan-

in the aggregate to 700,000 plastres, and a Brouse was notified at once of the demand of the soldiers and that official sent the sum of 150,000 plastres, but this the troop refused to accept and threatened to pillage the town of Moudania unless they

Julius Gies, forty-nine years of age, a janitor of 1464 Amsterdam avenue, committed suicide by hanging himself with a which he held in reserve for deposit in In a letter which he wrote shortly before remittance with a note stating that the he hanged himself Gies gave as his reason sum was all that he had at his disposal for the deed that he was discouraged at and also sent a supply of clothing.

ENGINEER ONLY ONE KILLED. Freight on the Wheeling and Lake Erie Jumps the Track.

Martin's Ferry, O., December 24.-A freight engine on the Wheeling and Lake Erie railroad jumped the track near Warrenton tonight and was demolished. Engineer Jesse Houghton was killed and Fireman Haines was badly bruised and

Their homes are at Massillon.

ALDERMAN WANTED BIG BRIBE.

man George Durnam was arraigned this morning on an indictment charging him Richardson & Co., of this city, of \$10,000, in return for which he was to secure for vorks reservoir in this city and the boule-

vard leading thereto. He pleaded not gilty, and was released on

LIVES OF GUESTS IN DANGER Huffman House, at Rockford, Ill.

Was Burned. Rockford, Ill., December 24.-The lives many guests of the Huffman house were placed in jeopardy tonight when that hoselry and the block bearing its name were oss of \$190,000.

HIS LEFT ARM WAS SHATTERED

Selma, Ala., December 24.—(Special.) Houston Armstrong, son of Captain W. P. Armstrong, president of the City National Bank of Selma, and a student at Princeton ollege, is at home spending the holidays. While out bird hunting yesterday after. noon twenty miles from Selma he was acidentally shot by one of his friends, the entire contents of the gun lodging in his left arm just below the elbow, completely

shattering the muscle. Attending physicians think there is no immediate danger of losing the arm, but cannot tell what the final result will be. Mr. Armstrong was a member of the Princeton football team, but it is not likely

## WAS HYPNOTIZED AND THEN WEDDED

self a Bride.

She Says That She Has No Recollec-

Are Being Made to Annul the Marriage Vows.

HYPNOTIST GROOM HAS PROPER DOCUMENTS

Jamestown, N. Y., December 24.- A man giving his name as Berton M. Main, and his residence as Sheldon, Ill., a phrenolo gist, palmist and hypnotist, came here four weeks ago and engaged room and board at the Woodburn, a high-class boarding

Last night he was married to Miss Mary Whitman, the handsome young sister of the landlady of the Woodburn, but tonight he is in the city jail, having been arrested on a charge of getting the girl under hypnotic influence and then marrying her.

The bride says she has no recollection of the marriage, or events which followed until today, and can hardly believe that she was married, but the proof is abso-

The groom was arrested on complaint of the girl's parents, and she joins in the petition for release from the man, who she claims is very objectionable to her, but when in his presence she makes no com-

to have had no thought of marrying any-No further action than the arrest of the

When the ship reached Moudania, on the Sea of Marmora, at which port they were to disembark and proceed by rail, a journey of six hours, to Constantinople, the troops seized the captain of the vessel and put him in frons. They then informed the commanding officer of the regiment that they positively refused to land until they received their arrears of pay, amounting supply of proper clothing instead of the rags they were wearing. The vali of received what they demanded.

As the soldiers were fully armed and fiercely determined the vali, who was only fifteen miles away, sent 500,000 plastres, the national treasury, accompanying the After receiving the money and clothing the troops landed.

PRINCESS OF CHIMAY TALKS Detroit Girl Who Ran Away with the

Gypsy Is Found. Bucia Pest, December 24.—Newspapers ere state that the princess of Chimay and Caraman, formerly Miss Clara Ward, of Detroit, Mich., the report of whose elopement with a Hungarian tsigane—a gypsy musician-caused such a sensation in aris. tocratic circles a short time ago, has arrived at Stuhlweissenburg, in company with the tsigane, whose name is Rigo

They deny that they eloped. The princess declares that she bade farevell to her husband before she left his home, and that he was fully aware of her love for Rigo and of her intention to go

The princess, the papers add, has visited Rigo's parents, who live in a gypsy hut, and promised them that she would marry

HIS TROUBLES SEEM TO GROW. Chief of Political Police Is Faced with

More Charges. London, December 24.—The Berlin correspondent telegraphs that Major von Tausch, the chief of the political police, who was arrested a few days ago in connection with the trial of Berlin journalists charged with libeling high state offi-

cials, has against him, in addition to four charges of perjury, a charge of lese majeste, which has been made on suspicion that he supplied false rumors concerning the health of Emperor William to certain newspapers, chiefly Bismarckian organs. LEADER LANDAUER ARRESTED

Berlin, December 24.-The Berlin police

have been engaged within the last twentyfour hours in searching the lodgings of known anarchists, with the result that they have arrested several prominent members of the "sect," including the leader, Landauer, and his female companion, Ross

ow, December 24.—Steinitz won the twelfth game as played against Lasker, in thirty moves. It was a Ruy Lopez, opened by Lasker. Present score: Lasker, 7; Stein-itz, 1; drawn. 4.

## GRN. PALMA SAYS ZERTUCHA LIES.

Main Used Occultic Power to Win Him- Cuban Delegate Denies All the Doctor Wrote About Maceo's Death.

MISS WHITMAN IS HER NAME QUOTES LETTERS FROM HIM

Declares That the Leader Was Sus-tained and Beloved by His Men.

SAYS HE WAS CONFIDENT OF SUCCESS

Cuban Delegate Asserts That 40,000 Men Are in the Field and That Many More Can Be Had.

New York, December 24.—General Tomas Estrada Palma, the Cuban delegate, y gave out a statement in re-to a published letter of Dr. Zertucha, in which the doctor says that Maceo, driven to despair by the nonsupport of the rebel government, invited his own doom; that members of the Cuban council are in the pay of Spain; that they failed to back their own general, and that Maceo was dispirited from several letters ment of the insurgents.

General Palma's reply is as follows: "I am not very much surprised to se Dr. Zertucha rush into print for the purpose of distracting attention from himself by attracting it to a scandalous charge, which can only aid him with the Spanlards. "For me it is a sufficient indication of the man's character that he surrenders to the enemy under the conditions in his case, and that he is treated in such kindly man-

ner by the Spaniards. "What more natural than that he, in combination with a Spanish diplomacy, should be the instrument by which the revolution should be discredited? He certainly knows that this interview will ultimately be sent to Cuba, where it cannot be received by the Spaniards otherwise than with demonstrations of gratitude.

"I know from letters received from Ger eral Antonio Maceo personally, as well as from a person of our mutual confidence through whom we frequently cated, that Maceo was not in the desperate straits depicted by Dr. Zertucha. The following extract from a letter which I lately received will show that Maceo was well satsfied with the condition of affairs: Maceo Was Not Dispirited.

have prevented me much against my wishes, from answering immediately your welcome communications of the 19th and 25th of December. General Rius Rivera, happily disembarked with all the war material sent, which was red employed in a series of hard combate.

"The object of Weyler was to imprison our army between two fortified lines and make us suffer a tremendous defeat, by means of simultaneous attacks by forces previously placed in those positions, but the most brilliant success crowned our efforts, six of the enemy's columns, which tried to impede our progress after our saving the expedition of General Rius Rivera, being

"As late as the 6th of December, the day before it is reported he was killed," Gen-eral Palma said, "a person of veracity and general, and I am informed that Ma stated that the Cuban forces in Pinar del Rio were in excellent condition, in charge of Rius Rivera, and that he was Zertucha's Interviews Differ.

"Zertucha's last published interview dif-fers in detail from all others previously published. His assertion of Maceo's disappointment is absolutely groundly "Zertucha's attitude towards his forme for him the credence of any honest man. Continuing, Senor Palma said: "We have 40,000 well equipped soldiers in active operation on the field. If they fall, 40,000 more soldiers will spring up to take their places. The Cubans will die, if necessary. forget the blood their countrymen have

TWO MEN AND A BOY KILLED SPANISH BUTCHER FATHER, SON

AND A NEAR BY NEIGHBOR.

cause Insurgents Did Not Injure the Planter the Soldiers Thought He Was Friendly to Cuba.

New York. December 24.-Word was reeived in this city tonight of the murder by Spanish troops of Antonio Diaz, a planter, his son, seven years old, and Manuel Grandos, of Casiguas.

A letter giving details was received by Cuban resident here who owns a farm near Jaruco, about twelve miles from Havana. It came from his overseer, who announced that he had abandoned the farm, as his position entailed too great a

The letter tells of the death of Diaz, whose farm was in the neighborhood. The Spanish troops had frequently visited Diaz's place and had been treated well. Recently the Cubans, who approached so near the capital, stopped at the farm, and though Diaz was in sympathy with them, he requested them to withdraw, as it would bring suspicion upon him.

They did so, and Diaz's escape from injury at their hands was interpreted by the Spaniards as evidence that he was friendly with them. A troop of Spanish soldiers then visited the place and found Diaz plowing in a field, his little son near him. Union, and the men will return to work They put both to death by machetes Then they ran across Manuel Granados who had come to pay Diaz for some corn he had purchased.

found on his person was appropriated.

ter Off for Havana. Jacksonville, Fla., December 24.-Ca General Lee, Mrs. Lee and Miss Lee, after spending two hours in Tampa, left Port Tampa for Havana this afternoon on the stanmer Olivette.

Boston Electric Railway Employes Take Unwelcome Layoff.

Steam Cars Were Packed to Suffocation by Suburban Residents.

WOMEN FAINT IN THE GREAT CROWDS

Strikers Hang Out Till After Dark and Then Begin To Return to Work-Cars Move and Strike Is Then Declared Off.

Boston, December 24.-Not since the strike of West End railway employes in February, 1887, has the general public so fully realized its dependence upon the

street railway lines as today. With the exception of the cars of the Lynn and Boston railway, which uses the power and tracks of the West End company from Chelsea, through Charlestown to Scollay square, and the cars of the United States mail service, which have been running as usual, there has practically been a complete tie-up of surface cars during the afternoon and evening.

Coming just at Christmas, the strike has greatly inconvenienced thousands who wished to visit the city stores to purchase their gifts, and all thoroughfares have

biting wind that has prevailed. Early this morning an enterprising team ster put'on a line of passenger barges between Charlestown and Scollay square and he reaped a harvest. Later lines were started under the management of the strikers. The steam railways have been dangerously overcrowded on account of the sudden demands made upon them.

evening the suburhan traffic over the Roston and Albany road was immense. The humanity, and although trains were run every ten or fifteen minutes, the cars were filled like so many sardine boxes, the Men shouted and women fainted in the

upon one another for standing room. articles were crowded beyond recognition by the crowd, which resembled a pack of ational human beings. There were som what similar scenes enacted at the other railway stations, although less demon-

Strikers Take Summary Action. This afternoon the committee of the com ductors and motormen's union that held last night and agreed to a week's postpone ment of the strike, called upon President Little in order to place themselves right

the eyes of the West End officers. They explained the apparent violation of the agreement entered into last night by saving that the men took matters into their own hands and the strike was a fact, even though the supreme council was not aware of it. All this and more was submitted to President Little and it was again intimated that nothing would avail until the agree

ment was signed. yesterday, that he was powerless to sign the agreement, and that, even if he did so, it would be worthless without first being a cepted by the executive committee of the

The West End Street Railway Company tonight issued a notice to its employes, in which it states that all employes who contime in the service of the company will be protected, but that all voluntarily absenting as having withdrawn from the employ of

Men Began to Weaken. The company advertised for motorme and conductors today and it was said tonight that in response a large number of

At 9 o'clock tonight came the first signs of weakening on the part of the strikers, when t was reported that 100 men of division No. which includes Cambridge, Arlington, Newton and West Somerville, had gonback to work, and as a result a few cars are running tonight between Boston and Harvard square, Cambridge. Some fifty or sixty men also returned on division No. 5,

Over on the Charlestown division the strikers declare that if men are brought from other cities to take their places there Boston, December 25, 1 a. m.-The strike has been declared off by the supreme council of the Conductors and Motermen's

tomorrow. JACK THE RIPPER UP AGAIN. Woman Found with Her Throat Cut

and Jewelry Undisturbed. London, December 24.—A dispatch to The Pall Mall Gazette from Amsterdam says that a series of tragedles of the "Jack the Ripper" type are happening in that city.

The body of a woman with the throat

in the street this morning. of jewelry was found on the body.

#### ATLANTA'S CHRISTMAS EVE DRUNKEN ROWS AND FIGHTS KEEP THE POLICE BUSY.

Italian Fruit Vender Is Attacked and Shot at by Negroes—Hoodlums Terrorize the Suburbs.

Christmas Eve in Atlanta was full of color and whisky. If there was any of the true spirit of the occasion made manifest, t was in the quiet home circles and not on the streets. Not for many years has general rowdyism reigned so supreme on some of the streets, and perhaps never before in fts history has the police department spent such a Christmas Eve.

The whole town boiled. The streets were packed. The saloons did a land-office business, and Decatur and Peters streets, lower Houston and Darktown were one surging, drunken mass. Between the hours of 8 o'clock and midnight ninety arrests were made, mostly in the central portions of the city, and nearly all the prisoners were locked in the station house.

There were fights innumerable and many miraculous escapes from death. Dozens of negroes and white men-and some womenwere taken to the station house in patrol wagons, or to the hospital in the ambulance, iterally cut to pieces with razors and

It seemed that Jack the Ripper made himself manifest in a dozen different parts of the city at the same time. Several negroes were cut so seriously they may die. Clubs were used freely. Several people were waylaid and robbed. The patrol wagons were kept busy hauling the Christmas enthus asts to the station house, and the demand for wagons was much greater than the supply.

Hundreds of negroes were drunk on Decatur street. An extra force of officers had to be detailed there and even then general rowdylsm was the order of the hour. Just before 10 o'clock, when the gang was rushing for a last drink, there were fights and cutting scrapes by the dozen and the police were powerless the check the outburst, although they did splendid work.

Mobbed the Italian. Jim Seigers is an Italian who is the proprietor of a fruit stand at the corner of Edgewood avenue and Ivy streets. About 10 o'clock last night a gang of drunken negro boys with big horns attacked his stand and stole all the oranges and apples they could lay their hands on. The Italian, aided by his brother, resisted the hoboes and came very near being shot. Three of the negroes drew pistols, and aiming straight at the fruit vender, fired three shots at the first volley, but luckily all the

bullets missed their mark. Seigers then seized a club, and rushing at the nearest negro, would have brained him, but the outlaw drew his gun again catching the muzzle of the pistol and directing the course of the bullet upward. The police, attracted by the firing, then arrived on the scene, and the negroes ran. After a chase of several blocks, however,

the station house. Boy Shot in the Hip. While going to his home, on Hilliard street, about 10 o'clock, Ed Betts, a young negro boy, ran into a gang of outlaws at the corner of Houston and Piedmont avenue, and in attempting to resent an insult from a member of the gang, was shot in the hip. The crowd ran, leaving the early happened to pass a few minutes later and sent the youth to his home in a hack,

where he received medical attention. He is not fatally injured. A young white man, whose name is un known, was knocked in the head just after midnight near the corner of Decatur and Collins street, and his skull crushed. He was intoxicated and became engaged in a inconscious. The man was taken to the station house, where his wound was dressed by Dr. Wright. At a late hour last unable to give his name. The negro who struck him escaped through the crowd and

has not been caught Came Near Killing Two. Ernest Gandy, a young white boy eighteen years of age, well known about town, was painting Decatur street red when he brushed against a drunken negro and a fight resulted. Gandy pulled his pistol and fired. The ball missed its mark, but glanced from the pavement ten yards in front and passed between an old negro and his wife walking in the other direc-

old man's head that it cut a hole in his broad-brimmed hat. About 8 o'clock a wagon of the Troy steam laundry was proceeding out the Boulevard near Decatur street, when the driver was attacked by a gang of ruffians. He whipped his horse, and when about to escape from his pursuers one of the gang drew a pistol and sent a bullet into the hard pavement, and may have to be killed. The negroes escaped, and have not been

tion. So close did the bullet come to the

senger train at the Decatur street crossing about 7 o'clock and seriously injured. He was knocked off the track by the pilot. He was carried to the hospital, but will re-

ran into a dray near the same place just afterwards, and smashed the vehicle into kindling wood. The driver was knocked to the ground, but was not seriously hurt. There were innumerable accidents and reported to headquarters. Dr. Wr ght, the

od he dressed twelve wounds, some off at midnight they told the rough experiences they had encountered. All were thoroughly worn out, and stated last night was one of the wildest nights this city has

city physician, remained at the station

Such was Christmas eve in Atlanta. EX-PAYING TELLER ARRESTED

Chicago, December 24.—Ben B. Jones, exaying teller of the National Bank of filials, which failed Monday, was arrected tonight on an old charge, and the police authorities believe that they can comparative that they can compare the structure of the second of the second

## SERGEANT ABBOTT KNOCKED DOWN

Negro Brains Him With a Chair and Then Escapes.

BIG NEGRO ROW IN A BARROOM

The Officer Attempts To Make an Arrest and Is Seriously Injured.

HOODLUMS STRUCK HIM WITH BOTTLES

Kimball House Waiter Is Stabbed on Decatur Street and Is Dangerously Wounded, Perhaps Fatally.

While attempting to arrest an unknown negro in Tittlebaum's saloon, at the corner of Forsyth and Mitchell streets, last night, Sergeant John Abbott, of the police force, was seriously injured by being struck on the head. His assailant escaped.

It was about 10 o'clock that the Sergeant happened to pass the saloon, which was filled with a motley gang of cursing, drunken negroes. Several fights were in progress and the place was the scene of the wildest disorder.

As Sergeunt Abbott stepped into the door, with his heavy walking stick in his hand, a b'g negro, enraged with mean whisky, struck him a terriffic blow over the head with a chair. So powerful was the lick that Sergeant Abbott fell to the floor, stunned and bleeding. In an instant, however, he was on his feet again, and fought the negroes with all the power he could summon. The blood flowed freely from a wound in the forehead, almost blinding his sight, but he used his club with

For fully five minutes the officer fought at least six burly negroes by himself. The patrolman on that beat had been called lonw the street to another fight, and Sergeant Abbott braved his terrible battle unassisted. The negroes finally saw they had met their match in the officer, and the one who had attacked him with a chair on his entrance in the saloon leaped out of the door and ran down the street The officer started to follow. As he stepped out of the door those remaining inside grabbed every bottle and missile available and hurled them at Abbott. Some of the bottles struck him on the head, inflicting serious cuts and bruises. He was so weak from the loss of blood he could hardly stand and had to give up the chase, the

negro making his escape. Police headquarters was notified and Sergeant Abbott was taken to a drug store near by, where the flow of blood from the wound in his head was stopped. He was ater taken to the station house in a cab, and thence to his home, where he will probably be la'd up for several days.

Kimball House Waiter Stabbed. While mingling in the drunken gang on Decatur street last night George Rob a colored waiter at the Kimball house, was stabbed by an unknown negro and is in a

dving condition at the hospital He sustained a long cut about half an tach above the heart, plercing the hollow. He was taken to the hospital in the ambu lance, and is not expected to live. At an

Robinson was walking on Decatur street with some friends watching the crowds.

He had imbided a good deal of the flery

liquid and when at the corner of Decatur and Piedmont avenue, a young colored boy of yellow complexion approached him, and the two entered into a conversation. but proceeded on down the street. The difficulty with a negro, who struck him sidewalk was crowded by a motley gang of drunken negroes and it seems no one heard what transpired between Robinson and the other negro. In a short while passersby were startled to see Robinson fall to the ground with a deathl ke groan. In an instant his coat was saturated with blood

Officer Berry picked Robinson up and called

and he cried that he had been stabbed.

GREATER NEW YORK CHARTER DRAFT HAS BEEN MADE PUBLIC

AND PUBLIC HEARINGS HELD. City Is Divided Into Five Boroughs and Municipal \_ssembly Will

New York, December 24.—The preliminary draft of the new charter for the Greater New York has been completed and was made public today. The commission before submitting the charter to the legislature will hold public hearings from January

The preliminary charter divides the city into five boroughs-Manhattan, The Bronx, Brooklyn, Richmond and Queens. The central government of the city will be in the hands of a municipal assembly, consisting of two houses, a lower house of 104 members, elected from senatorial districts, and an upper house of thirty-seven members, elected from council districts created by the charter. There will be one mayor, but each of the five boroughs will have a president to care for local con cerril, and there will be twenty-two local boards, one for each senatorial district.

STONE GIVES BRYAN A HORSE

Missouri's Chief Executive Makes Nabraskan a Christmas Present. Jefferson, Mo., December 24.-Governor W. J. Stone has shipped a magnificent Kentucky thoroughbred saddle horse to L'ncoin, Nebraska, as a Ohristmas present to William J. Bryan.

been the governor's favorite saddle horse for some months. He bought it in Kentucky with several other horses about a year ago.

The animal is coal black in color, and has

THIEVING TELLER PARDONED Stillwater, Minn., December 24.-Phillip Scheig, the teller who robbed the Bank of

Minneapol's of over \$100,000, three years ago and was captured in England, was

#### **BIG SAFE UNTOUCHEI**

Rebbers Who Stopped Chicago and Alton Got But Little.

MESSENGER FRIER TALKS

Three Men Wanted To Blow the Large Depository Open with Dynamite.

WERE PERSUADED THE SAFE WAS EMPTY

L. ress Officials Say That the Thiever id Not Get as Much Money as \$2,000-Passengers Scared.

St. Lou's, December 24.-Local officials of the Pacific Express Company claim to have but little information of the train robbed on the Chicago and Alton road in Blue Cut last night.

The train arrived here at 1:15 o'clock this afternoon, and Express Messenger Frier was interviewed by a reporter of the Southern Associated Press. He said that the big safe which was consigned through from the Pacific Coast to Chicago was not robbed. One of the robbers placed a gun at Frier's head and ordered him to hold up his hands. The robbers then secured the keys of the small safe from Frier's pockets and rifled the safe of its entire contents, consisting of a great deal of jewelry and a considerable amount of money. The rob hers demanded that Frier operate the time lock on the big safe, but were finally persuaded by him that such an accomplish ment was impossible, at which they began to drill a hole and prepare a dynamite stick. Frier argued with them that their efforts would be futile, as the safe contained nothing of value, and finally he persuaded them to let it alone. Frier says that in the money secured from the small safe was a quantity of gold, ten and twenty-dollar pieces, and that one of the men de clared, "That's the kind of stuff we are

After the men had cleaned out the small safe they searched Frier's clothing and took all the money on his person. He demurred at this, and the leader of the gang tossed him a two-dollar bill, saying: "Get yourself a drink for a Christmas present." The robbers finally declared that they must skip out, as time was pressing, and and started it down the track to a poi about a mile below Glendale station, where alighted and disappeared in the

When the passengers in the train learned that the express car was being robbed they became greatly excited, but nobody venof the cars. In the Pullman gentlemen passengers, there was great confusion. The vestibules were locked and shades drawn, while the passenger hid their money and jewelry in every con-

celvable place of safety. From the familiar manner in which the express car was uncoupled and the locootive handled, the express officials be lieve that the robbers were former railroad employes and understood the nature the train and the fact that it ordinarily carried a large amount of money in the express car.

Messenger Frier insists that so far as he

could see there were but three men en-gaged in the robbery, all of whom were asked and armed. Superintendent Williamson declares that the amount of money secured by the rob-bers is small, and at a wild estimate will

not reach \$2,000. BIRMINGHAM'S NEW LICENSES.

City Council Passes Ordinance for the Cominy Year.

Birmingham, Ala., December 24.—Special.) he city council of Birmingham has adoptamong the businesses named in the schedule are the pool rooms, the taking of money to be transmitted to points in or out of the state, to be bet on horse races. The license was fixed at \$1,000. There have been two pool rooms running for some time here ing pools on races run at Cincinnat Nashville, New Orleans, New York, San Francisco and other points, just as a meet would be held in the respective cities

The ministers of Alabama are now en-deavoring, by an act in the legislature to run the pool rooms out of existence in and are leaving nothing undone to have the law passed just as soon as the legisla-ture reconvenes. Aldermen, in making out the license schedule, saw that there could be some revenue made out of the business, and so fixed the license at a prohibitiv figure, expecting to run them out, but th proprietors of the two here now declar they will continue to run, and will pay the \$1,000 license. Some people are inclined to believe the council did wrong in making a license, but should have passed an ordi nance forbidding their existence. The lat-ter could not be done on account of the interstate commerce laws, and so the alder

In the schedule many other changes are made, such as an increase of \$300 per an-num for breweries and wholesale dealers in beer. The cash register agent had his license raised from \$25 to \$100. An attemp of the council to have clube and social or ganizations taxed \$300 per annum, but it did not pass. The clubs have charters from the

FOREMAN WILLIAMS KILLED. Switching Crew Man Chopped

Pieces by a Train.
Birmingham, Ala., December 24.—(Special.)—Charles Williams, foreman of a switching crew on the Birmingham Mineral railroad, at Bessemer, fell off an engine this morning and was mangled to death. His head was cut off and but small pieces of his body were left. He was for seven mer. He leaves a wife and three chil brick; then with a grapple hook and ropes

LATE CASHIER BRADY INDICTED President of a Charlotte Bank Submits

His Books to Grand Jury. Charlotte, N. C., December 24.-The grand jury of the present term of the crimina court returned a true bill of indictment for embazzlement against Archibald Brady, late cashler of the Loan and Savings bank. The amount involved is between

The finding was made on the testimony of John E. Oates, president of the bank, who submitted the books in evidence.

CITY OFFICER SHORT \$25,000. Johnstown, N. Y., Man Arrested for Using Public Funds.

Gloversville, N. Y., December 24.—Andrew J. Rogers, the city chamberlain of Johnstown, was arrested this afternoon on the plaint of Mayor Knox, who charged him with appropriating about \$25,000 of the city's funds. He was subsequently released on \$5,000 ball.

It was supposed that the matter had been attled by Rodger's bondmen making the deficiency good.

HENRY DELGADO IN PRISON WORKED CAPTURED IN A HOSPITAL HE IS CHARGED AS AN INSURGENT.

Was Sent to Cuba by New York Mail and Express and Had Letters to Maceo When Captured.

New York, December 24.-Henry Delgado, an American citizen, the news of whose capture in a Cuban hospital by Spanish troops was confirmed this morning, is a special correspondent of The Mail and Express, detailed two months ago to join the insurgent army in Pinar del Rio.

The correspondent, who was landed Cuba by one of the expeditions from this country, went strictly in his capacity as a news commissioner for the purpose of tell-ing the truth just as he found it. When he ing the truth just as he found it. When he left here he carried letters of introduction to Maceo and another Cuban general. When captured these letters were found on him, together with an order from Maceo to the prefect of Las Tumbas, commending the bearer to his consideration and courtesy. These documents could scarcely be regarded as territologists.

ed as incriminating.

Mr. Delgado reached Maceo's camp in the hills and in his quest for news tramped nearly two hundred miles. One of his ankles gave way and he was obliged to go to bed in one of the field hospitals. There he was taken, with several companions. He is now believed to be in Morro castle.

Immediately upon learning these facts.
The Mail and Express telegraphed to Secretary of State Olney, in Washington, and cabled to Consul General Lee, in Havana, asking that the legal rights of Mr. Delgado be regarded and that if he has not already been shot, that the execution be stayed until it can be shown that his mission was of sympathy or intended part.cipa-

ion with either side. The cable to Consul General Lee has robably been acted upon by Vice Consul

Mr. Delgade was born in this city and ived nearly all his life here and in Brook

A cable from Havana says that Enrique Delgado who is described an an adjutan rebel general's staff, was captured in the prefectura of General Melguizo on December 15th. Yesterday he was brought to Havana and imprisoned in communi-cado in the San Ambrosio hospital. It is unknown whether he is wounded or sick. The American consulate has taken up the case and will submit it to the government as Delgado claims that he is an American citizen and came to Cuba as the correspon-He denies that he was a rebel officer of that he took any active part in the rebellion. He is known to many persons in Havana and elsewhere in Cuba, he at one time having been a purser in the employ of the New York and Cuban Mail Steam

THREE FRIENDS AT KEY WEST. Tug Has Been Taken in Custody by Customs Officials.

Key West, Fla., December 24.-The Three Friends arrived at this port tonight about 5:20 and was immediately taken in custody by customs officials. A thorough search was made of her and nothing of ammunition was found on board. The captain states that since leaving Jacksonville he has been cruising among the Florida keys. The tug was first sighted coming in through the southwest channel.

WEBB TRIES TO KILL HIMSELF. Saloon Keeper Swallows Morphine but Still Lives.

Alabany, Ga., December 24 .- (Special.)-J. M. Webb, of Parrott, Ga., tried to commit suicide at the Albany Inn this morning by taking morphine. His life was despaired of for a number of hours, but he is now supposed to be out of danger.

Webb has been doing a saloon business n Parrott, but was clo by Kern & Loob, of Columbus. This, together with his infatuation for the wife of another man at Smithville, are the causes of his trying to take his life. He is himself married and has three children. Mrs. Webb arrived in Albany tonight, and is now nursing her husband. She brought W. M. Webb. her father-in-law, with her. W. M. Webb is one of the most prosperous farmers in Terrell county. J. M. Webb was in business at Smithville and failed there last January. He went away and attempted suicide at that time in the same manner.

ONE KILLED AND ONE WOUNDED Serious Shooting Affray Occurs

Steuben County, New York. Elmira, N. Y., December 24.—A special dispatch to The Advertiser from Rathborn, Steuben county, New York, says that at 10:30 o'clock tonight William Harrington was shot and instantly killed and William Allen mortally wounded by Floyd Myers, All of the men had been drinking and the victims of the shooting accused Myers of stealing a wagon robe and drove to his house and demanded it, when he walked out of the house and opened fire on

them with a shotgun. Allen fell from the wagon while the norse ran with the body of Harrington, which remained in the wagon. Allen is at large at midnight, but the sheriff's officers expect to catch him before daylight,

FIVE MEN ESCAPE FROM JAIL Three Are Caught Before Leaving the Prison Yard.

Suffolk, Va., December 24.-Five men es aped from the county jail at 2 o'clock this morning, but three were detained be fore they scaled the inclosing wall. With no other implement than a pick, de vised from an iron bucket handle, the prisoners made an aperture through three inches of hard wood and thirty inches of

attempted to mount a twenty-foot wall. wo succeeded. The delivery was planned and executed nder the leadership of Frank Hill, who was held for felony.

REVENUE COLLECTIONS SHORT.

There Was a Falling Off of a Quarter of a Million for November.

Washington, December 24.-Internal rev enue collections, as shown by the monthly statement issued by the commissioner of the internal revenue bureau for November, have fallen off \$227,357 for that month. The receipts for last November were \$12,701,369. Whisky receipts show the only notable crease for the month. For the last five months the increase from this source has amounted to \$1,401,592, and for November

For the five months of the present fisca year the decrease in the general collection was \$651,957. For the month of November the receipts from the several sources of revenue were as follows:

Spirits, \$7,857,203, an increase for the month of \$117,670; oleomargarine, \$80,705, decrease of \$361,795; tobacco, \$2,411,325, decrease of \$166,362; fermented liquors, \$2,318,-144, decrease of \$129,302; filled cheese, \$557; miscellaneous, \$33,423, decrease of \$3,125.

Strange Still Seized in Clayton County Yesterday.

HOW STILL WAS DESTROYED ue Officers Make a Big Seizure and Bring Two Moonshiners

to Atlanta. The people about Jonesboro were expecting a huge supply of Christmas eggnog. They had placed their order for an extra

amount of the main ingredient, and had

counted on having their jugs filled to the brim this morning. But the people of that thriving little town will grieve today and a sad blight will be cast over their holiday enjoyment when they learn that their eggnog factory has been seized by revenue officials and the still which was to turn out their Christmas

rupply demolished Officer Mann and a local deputy did the work before daylight yesterday morning and ruthlessly destroyed the hopes of the people. The officers learned that some disance in the country was a still where the it had been noted that the people in that locality were blessed with an abundant supply of holiday fluids. The officers deter-mined to investigate and yesterday morning made a tour in the country near the ace where the still was suppose

In a small place cleared out in the woods the officers noticed the glare of lights and could hear the sound of voices. Investi-gating they found that they had come upon a large still, and from the appearance of things it was in full blast. Officer Mann walked in and it was not long before he discovered that he had found one of the largest still seized by the revenue dement for years. It was a still of 150 lons capacity and operated by steam.

After destroying what they could, the officers placed under arrest Andrew Chapman and J. W. Rape, whom they charged with the illicit manufacture of intoxi-

The men were brought to Atlanta yes terday morning and given a hearing before Commissioner Broyles.

Home for Christmas. After hearing all the evidence in the case Judge Broyles decided that the men were guilty and bound them over for trial before "I place the bond of each at \$200," stated

"We'll have to make that bond," said Rape, speaking to his fellow prisoner.

"That's so, old man; we'll have to be nome for Christmas. We'll have to be making their bond and were released. They will be tried at the March term of the fed-

TOMMY RYAN WHIPS PAYNE Welterweight Champion Wins Two Victories in Three Days.

Syracuse, N. Y., December 24.-Nearly 2,000 cople paid to see Tommy Ryan put Billy Payne, the champion welter-weight of Pennsylvania, to sleep in four rounds before the Empire Athletic Club, in this city last

It was only a question of time with Ryan For the first three rounds he did nothing but feel of his opponent, and took some savage swings in return. After two minutes and fortyfive seconds of hard fighting in the fourth round Ryan put a half swivel hook blow on Payne's jugular vein and the latter went to the floor unconscious. It ook nearly a minute to revive him. This is the second battle he has won in three days, he fighting Australian Billy Mc-Carthy, putting him out in seven rounds, at Buffalo on Monday night.

Ryan was born in Syracuse and this was his first recent fight before his old friends and acquaintances.

A twelve-round preliminary, between Bilhardest fights seen in Syracuse this year, In the second round Moore had Sullivan almost out, but injured both hands in the effort. In the succeeding ten rounds he punished Sullivan unmercifully and several times the gong saved the New York boy. Moore got the decision.

MAHER AND O'DONNELL TO MEET Brooklyn's Mayor Issues a License an Athletic Club.

New York, December 24.—Mayor Wurster, of Brooklyn, today granted a license to the Greater New York Athletic Club, of Coney Island. Maher and O'Donnell meet there tomorrow afternoon.

HE RUNS MONETARY MEETING Convention at Indianapolis Will B Well Attended.

Indianapolis, Ind., December 24,-The excutive committee of the monetary confer ence, which will meet in this city January 12th, is receiving advices from the large ommercial organizations and boards of trade of the east, and there is now no doubt that the great majority, perhaps all of them, will be represented in the conven-

At first there was a disposition to hold aloof from the meeting in such cities as New York, Boston, Philadelphia and a few others, but the visit of Chairman Hanns, of the executive committee, to them and his conferences with leading business men have overcome their objections and he telegraphs they will be liberally represented.

WON'T ATTEND JACKSON DINNER Cleveland Invited To Be Present Old-Time Demogratic Feast.

Washington, December 24.—A delegation of Chicago democrats, including H. S. Robbins, A. A. Goodrich and R. C. Sullivan, called on President Cleveland today and asked him to attend the Jackson day dinner, January 8th. They were intro

duced by Comptroller Eckels.

The president made a non-committal answer, but it is not likley that he will attend. Instead he will probably write a letter. Invitations were also extended to Secretary Olney and Postmaster General Wilson.

ED STEVENS KILLS JACK GRISOM One Negro Shoots Another to Death

Over Cards.

Dawson, Ga., December 24.—(Special.)—
Ed Stevens killed Jack Grisom in a swamp on the outskirts of Dawson this morning between 1 and 2 o'clock. Both are negroes. There were several negroes with them, among them two women. Cards were the cause of the killing. The coroner's jury rendered a verdict charging Stevens with voluntary manslaughter. Stevens

HE LOST TWO BARNS IN A YEAR Near Americus.

Americus, Ga., December 24.—(Special.)—
The large barn on the plantation of Mr.
N. A. Ray, near the city, was burned last
night, with its contents, consisting of corn,
fodder, farm implements, etc. By hard
work the mules, horses and other live stock
were saved from the flames.
This is the second time Mr. Ray has
suffered similar loss, another large and
valuable barn having been destroyed by
firebugs a year or two ago.

MANY ILLINOIS MINERS STRIKE RATS FOR HIS TWO THOUSAND COAL DIGGERS EMAND MORE PAY.

Mines in Two Counties Closed and Nearly a Dozen More Are Af-fected by the Quit.

Macoutah, Ill., December 24.-Two thou sand miners, employed in the coal mines of St. Clair and Madison counties, struck for higher wages vesterday.

The mines affected are Humboldt, Doncla, Nicholl, Staunton, Skellett, Yoch Belleville and Glen Carbon.

The men claim that they have been working half time and not making living wages CARNEGIE RETAINS OLD SCALE

Big Steel Company Keeps Same Wage Next Year as This. Pittsburg, Pa., December 24.-The ployes of the vast interests controlled by the Carnegie Steel Company will receive the same wages during 1897 as they have the past year. Considering the fact that pig iron and finished products have fallen in price from 10 to 25 cents since the last scale was signed, this action on the par

of the big steel company virtually increases the wages of over 6,000 employes. The notice posted at the different works eads as follows:

"To our employes—The 1895-96 wages scale and wages agreement will remain in force during 1897. The present condition of the iron and steel business does not warrant this continuance of the payment of the bonus, but we hope that early in 1897 there will come such improvement as to do so, and it is this hope which has led us to continue its payment."

COLD WAVE STRIKES ATLANTA Temperature Took a Sudden but De cided Drop Last Night.

There was a decided drop in temperatur vesterday afternoon and last night and before midnight a full-fledged cold wave had overspread the city, causing Christmas shoppers to desert the streets as soon to get to their homes.

The cold wave is a general one and the thermometers throughout the country have aken a sudden drop. In his report of last night Mr. Marbury, local forecast official, says today will be clear and colder. The report of yesterday follows:

"The entire country east of the Rockies s now covered by an area of barometer cons derably above normal. The pressure s greatest in the lower Missouri valley. The center of high pressure has moved south and southeast during the last twenty-four hours, increasing in energy as it moved in. Its advance has caused a general fall in temperature over the entire map except at a few stations in Florida, and in the rear of the center of the high. The greatest fall has been in the northeast. At New York city a fall of 16 degrees is reported and at Washington 24 degrees. The high will move eastward during the ensuing twenty-four hours and will give us clear and colder weather for Christmas.

"Cloudy weather covers the northern half

"Cloudy weather covers the northern half of the United States, with snow falling in Pittsburg and Buffalo. Light snow has fallen at New York, Chicago, Marquette and in South Dakota, while no precipitation has occurred elsewhere.
"Freezing temperature line runs west-ward from the coast of North Carolina to central Texas."

GROUND IS COVERED WITH SNOW Thermometer Takes a Big Drop at Watertown, N. Y. Watertown, N. Y., December 24.—The thermometer registered ten degrees below

zero here early this morning, the coldest of the season so far. The ground is thinly covered with snow, but there is not enough for sleighing.

IT WAS A COLD AND CLEAR DAY Troy, N. Y., Caught a Drop of the Mercury Yesterday. Troy, N. Y., December 24 .- In this city

early this morning the mercury ranged from three to five degrees below zero. In nearby places the record was from ten to fifteen degrees. Today is cold and clear.

SLEIGHING IS FINE IN UTICA New York Town Has Snow and Dry and Bracing Air.

Utica, N. Y., December 24.—The mercury in this city this morning was three degrees below zero. At Fulton Chain it was eighteen degrees below zero. The sleighing here is fine, and the air dry and bracing.

TWENTY DEGREES BELOW ZERO. Up in the Northwest It Is Cold with Snow and Ice.

Detroit, Mich., December 24.—Extremely cold weather prevailed throughout lower Michigan last night. In this city the mercury dropped to two degrees below zero. Holland, Mich., reports a temperature of two below zero, Davison fiften below zero, Flushing zero, Davison fiften below zero, Flushing ten, and Flint twenty degrees

NEW YORK HAS COLD WEATHER

low Zero in a Big Hurry.

Sarnac Lake, N. Y., December 24.—The mercury dropped to 13 degrees below zero last night, being the lowest point reached

TWO DUELISTS IN A HOSPITAL Two Germans Fight and Both Are Se

riously Wounded.

Stuttgart, December 24.—A duel, resulting in the serious wounding of both combatants, was fought Tuesday near this city between Baron Wangenheim, ex-secretary of the German legation at Copenhagon, and Count Ukuli Gyllenhald. retary of the German legation at Copenhagen, and Count Uxkull Gyllenbaid.

The wounds of both combatants were so severe as to render necessary their removal to a hospital.

FATHER AND SONS ARE IN JAIL Revenue Officers Find a Whole Fam

ily Making Whisky.

Dallas, Tex., December 24.—A squad of United States marshals this morning lodged in the Dallas county jail John Reese and his three sons, James, Daniel and Edward, charged with running an illicit still, near Blooming Grove, in Navajoe county. The officers destroyed three hundred gallons of liquor and all the apparatus. The still was located in an underground room, twelve by eighteen feet, and the marshall the still was located in an underground room, twelve by eighteen feet, and the moon shiners were doing a thriving business.

DRAWN INTO A TURBINE WHEEL Man Who Lived Near Conyers Meet

a Tragic Death. J. Gee, a farmer and miller, who lived near here, while making some repairs yesterday on the mill race accidentally fell into the

His body was carried into the turbine wheel, which was in motion, and was mutilated badly. Mr. Gee was dead when

Tom Chong Appeals to Police for Protection in Peculiar Case.

RODENTS WERE IN HIS MEAT Every Day a Dead Rat Was Sent Him by the Butcher.

CHONG THOUGHT HE WAS BEING TORMENTED

But the Rats Were Only Intended for the Chinaman's Cat-The Official Investigation.

A very unique case, in which three rats, Chinaman and a butcher take the leading a Chinaman and a butcher take the leading roles, came to the eyes of the police yesterday morning. Sam Chong, a laundryman, whose establishment is on Edgewood avenue, rear Piedmont avenue, has requested Chief of Police Connolly, through his attorneys, Dorsey, Brewster & Howell, to rid him of a nuisance which he alleges has been tormentling him unto desperation for several weeks.

One day last week when the oriental opened a package of meat he says he startled to find a dead rat enclosed. He was unable to solve the mission of the dead rodent, but fed it to his cat and thought

no more of the matter.

But the next day, he states, he bought another package of meat from the market, and also received another dead rat. This also went to the cat; and the next day he received still another in the same manner Sam Chong then came to the conclusion some enemy was trying to torment him for some unknown reason, and he deter-mined on Butcher Green, who is employed in Calloway's market, as the guilty man. Sam Chong came to this conclusion from the fact that he had an altercation with Green several weeks ago about some laundry which burned in the Chinaman's shop, and for which Green is said to have asked redress through the courts. The case was decided in favor of the oriental, and it is said the two men have not been on the

best of terms since. Therefore Sam Chong, prompted by a determination not to be presented with a dead rat every day, sought the advice of Dorsey, Brewster & Howell as the best method of breaking up the nuisance. Sam Chong considered the Christmas feasts he had been receiving as insults to his race and was determined to punish the offender Dorsey, Brewster & Howell therefore wrote a letter to Chief Connolly, which he received yesterday morning, asking that the case be investigated and the offenders unished. The chief had the letter read to the force and the officers are now en-gaged in tracing the source of these dead

After a very few minutes' investigation, nowever, the rat mystery was quickly cleared up and no one was arrested. Were a Present to His Cat.

About 10 o'clock yesterday morning an officer stepped into the meat market and inquired who had been sending those rats to Sam Chong. Butcher Green immediately acknowledged the charge, stating he had intended the animals for Sam's cat, and not to torment him in any possible sense.

When seen last night Mr. Calloway, the proprietor of the market, was very indig-tant over certain publications yesterday afternoon, which, he claims, puts him in the light of making each of his customers a present of a dead rat with each order. "Now, Sam Chong," said he, "and I have always been good friends, and if there has been any enmity between any of my employes and him, I am ignorant of it. Mr. Green positively denies he ever had any awsuit with the Chinaman, and bears him no malice such as would prompt him to torment the oriental in any such man-

this: Sam has been trading with us for several years, and he has a cat of which he is very fond. Now, we always gave the cat some meat along with the regular orregular package. Now, several days ago several rats were caught in the market and Mr. Green, out of pure kindness, sent them over to Sam as food for his cat, in

separate packages from the meat.

"If Sam had come over to our place he could have easily got an explanation, for that is all there is in the case. If Sam wants to prosecute us for presenting his cat with dead rats we are willing to stand the renaits".

cases with which the police department has ever had to deal. No arrests, however, are likely to occur, and hereafter Sam Chong can iron his shirts in peace while his catedoes without his rate. TWO ROBBERS KILL AN OLD MAN

Farmer and His Wife Wounded and the House Ransacked. Millington, Mich., December 24.—James Brown, aged sixty-eight, a farmer, living one and a half miles west of this place, was fatally shot by robbers last night. At 8 o'clock Mr. Brown was called to the door by two men. They asked for a drink of water, and followed the old man into the house and began quarreling with him, one of them shooting him in the left side. Brown was then bound and chloroformed and Mrs. Brown was bound and

The house was ransacked, but no money was found. A son, who reached the house before the robbers left, was shot at, and then the desperadoes made their escape. Mr. Brown died this afternoon from his

MAYOR AND COUNCIL HAVE NOG lators Are Sworn In.

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Amerious, Ga., December 24.—(Special.)—
At a special meeting of the city council
last night Mayor-elect James A. Hixon,
City Clerk Dover and the newly elected
aldermen were duly installed. After the
business of the meeting was concluded the
mayor, council and a number of invited
guests assembled in the banquet hall to
partake of a monster eggnog.

A number of happy speeches marked the
occasion, the newly elected councilmen
responding. Mayor Hixon entered upon his
second term as other executive of the city
of Americus.

RIFLED LETTER IN HIS POCKET. Clerk in St. Louis Postoffice Caught

Robbing the Mail. St. Louis, Mo., December 24.—William C. Rauschkolb, clerk in the city division of the postoffice, was arrested last night for robbing the mail, and on his person was found a rifled letter from which he had sharpeded the money. bstracted the money.

Rauschkolb admitted his guilt, but he claims it was his first and only offense.

He is twenty-one years of age.

The rifling of letters in the local office has continued for several months and it is believed a considerable amount of money has been stolen.

GEORGIA COMPANY GETS WORK

Port Royal Tower.

Washington, December 24.—The secretary of the navy has awarded a contract to the Lombard Iron Works and Supply Company, of Augusta, Ga., for a steel water tower and tank at the Port Royal, S. C., naval station for E5.68, and for the storehouse at the same place to L. P. Hazen & Co., of Cincinnati, for E.82.

HAPPY XMAS IN BRUNSWICK.

Aiding the Poor, Church Entertain-ments and Germans Hold Sway. Brunswick, Ga., December 24.—(Special.)— Every indication points to a very happy Christmas day in Brunswick.

For the past week the main busine treets have been lively with throngs ple, looking at the shop windows and people, looking at the shop windows and making holiday purchases from well-filled stocks. The trads with the merchants has been good, money running smoothly, leaving no room for complaint over the annual Christmas trade. On the street corners venders of various wares cry their goods, and added to this the noise of popping crackers tends to give the atmosphere a holiday cast.

So thoroughly is the Christmas spirit on that every walk of life, from the humblest to the richest, will feel the influence and rejoice in the details of its dispensation. First and foremost in the minds of the King's Daughters, outside of their immediate home circles, is the poor of Brunswick. As is usual of late years, these will be cared for by that noble-hearted band of

women.
This year their attention will take shape in handsome donations of food and clothing for the needy, distributed by those best acquainted with the destitution which always prevails to some extent in cities. The King's Daughters have a vacant store on Navestle street where they are reon Newcastle street, where they are re-ceiving donations to their cause, and the returns are favorable from Brunswick's

liberal-hearted people.

In the churches each is preparing to entertain the children before the new year

The entertainments will vary in charac The entertainments will vary in character, from Christmas trees and presents to suppers with games afterwards, but all will be enjoyable. In the banks and government offices all business will be suspended for the day, while the merchants generally will take half a holiday.

In the social world the day will be spent in drives and calls, followed in the evening by a german tendered complimentary to a

and until the New Year's day closes there will be a round of festivities. Entertainments will be numerous, and on the first of January the big boat race be-tween picked crews of the naval reserves will be held. Th's will bring out the crowd and close the fun for the holidays, with the exception of a hop that will be given at the Reserves' armory that night.

During the days following Christmas

MR., LINCOLN WAS AN INVENTOR A Device Which Is Now on Exhibition in the Patent Office.

In the patent office at Washington is to be found a record of a device which shows that Abraham Lincoln was, in addition to all his other accomplishments of mind and heart, says The Pittsburg Post, an inventive genius of no mean order. He took out a patent in 1849, while he was a resident of Springfield, Ill., on what he called a "camel and floating dock." Had the device ever been perfected and arranged for practical use it would have enabled its inventor to reap a fortune and contributed much to lessen the dangers of navigation much to lessen the dangers of navigation.

The purpose of the device was by means of a combination of adjustable buoyant air chambers to enable a vessel to readily reduce its draft and so to pass over the bars and through shallow water without removing the cargo. How Mr. Lincoln came to devote himself to such a task as this invention is not explained, though it is known that he had a number of ideas for devices of labor-saving and convenience for devices of labor-saving and convenience which he never found time to work out.

The drawings accompanying Mr. Linfigures. The first is the side elevation of a vessel with the buoyant air chambers combined therewith and expanded. The second is a transverse section of the vessel with the chambers contracted, and the third a longitudinal section through the center of one of the chambers and the box for receiving it when not in use. This box is secured to the lower guard of the vessel.

The invention proposed to make the tops and bottoms of the floating chambers of wood and metal, combining the greatest possible degree of strength and stiffness with lightness. The flexible sides were to be made of little whole being airtight. Sliding spars were to be passed through the chambers and made fast to the botand to a series of ropes and pulleys tom and to a series of ropes and pulleys or their equivalents in such a manner that by turning the main shaft or shafts in one direction the buoyant rubber air receptacles would be forced downward into the water and at the same time expanded and filled. By the displacement of water the vessel would be buoyed up. When the shafts were turned in the opposite direction the air chambers would be contracted and then secured to the vessel's sides in such a way as to avoid injury. So far as the records show, the device, as Mr. Lincoln conceived it, was never put into actual rese

NOT WRITTEN BY HIM. One Chapter of "The Virginians" Not a Product of Thackeray's Pen.

Many readers of "The Virginians" have wondered how Thackeray was able to write so graphic and correct an account of his hero's escape from Fort Duquesne and his journey through the wilderness, as Thackeray had never seen the magnificent valley through which his gallant hero fled after his daring escape, says The New York Recorder. As a matter of fact Thackeray did not write it at all.

He was at a dinner in London with Anthony Trollope, Wilkie Collins and other celebrities.

celebrities.

The guests were setting down to their wine and cigars, when Thackeray, who was entertaining the company with his wit and satire, suddenly stopped, and, looking at his watch, exclaimed:

"Gentlemen, I must leave you! I have promised the printer a chapter of The Virginians' tomorrow morning and I haven't written a line of it yet. I hate to go, but I must. The printer is inexorable; so, wishing you all another meeting when I can be longer with you, I bid you a good evening."

There was present a minor author named Kennedy and Thackeray had almost reach-ed the door when he called him back and

said:
"Perhaps I can write the chapter for you. What are you going to describe?"
The great novelist seemed a little astonished at this bold proposition, but he was too polite to say what he thought.
"Kennedy, you are extremely kind and gladly would I let you write the chapter for me, for I hate to leave a jolly party in the midst of fun."
"Then don't," all the company cried.
"Stay with us and let Mr. Kennedy write it,"

it."

"I have half a mind to let you do it, just for the fun of the thing. It is a chapter, chiefly of description, giving an account of my hero's escape from Fort Duquesne."

"If that's what you are writing about I can do it, for I know every foot of the ground."

"All right, then," said Thackeray, resuming his seat at the board. "Let me have it early tomorrow morning."

Mr. Kennedy withdraw and, going to his home, wrote the fourth capter of the second volume of "The Virginians," and thus it happened that the narrative of the hero's flight was so accurate as to the topography of the country through which he passed.

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Macon, Ga., December 24.—(Special dacon retail liquor dealers are much of erned to know what the city license be next year. Until the present year license was \$100 per annum, but this year the council placed the license at \$500. The dealers will petition the council reduce the license to at least \$300. We reduce the license to at least \$300. When the license was \$100 there were about 10 saloons, or a total license of \$10,000. When the license was raised to \$500 the number of saloons was reduced to about sixty-live, or a total license of \$22,500.

It is not probable that the council will reduce the license, and all retail dealers will have to pay \$500. The state license was raised at the recent session of the leviled.

this year will have to pay a state city license of \$650, which is \$500 less than Atlanta dealer. Major J. F. Hanson for Cabinet.

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Major Hanson is the unanimous cheice
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of friends throughout the south, irrespective of party, would be delighted to have
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Congressman Bartlett.
Hon. Charles L. Bartlett, congressman from the sixth district, has returned from the sixth district, has returned from Washington to spend the holidays. It will return to Washington January is Mr. Bartlett is a member of the committee on privileges and elections and witake prominent part in some of the contests to be made before the committee especially, the Black-Watson contest. Knights Templars Tomorrow at 11 o'clock the 1

St. Omer commandery of Kai plars will meet at their hall in Lane of the United States. knights will drink the health of the master. Special addresses will be by Mr. Joseph E. Pottle, of Milleds and Major J. L. Hardeman, of Macc Pension Blanks.

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Ordinary Wiley has received the polanks for confederate soldiers and will receive their inext Saturday. Soldiers drawing peutinest Saturday. The blanks will blanks next Thursday. The blanks forwarded to Atlanta, and on approximation of the saturday of the saturday of the saturday.

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The receivership for the assets of in any way affect the Lanier house pany. It is simply to effect a settle between Messrs. Sperry and Strong, dissolved partnership as lesses of hotel sometime ago, but could not on terms of settlement. Mr. Sperr mains in charge of the hotel and will those to run it. thrue to run it. MR. BRYAN MISSED CONNE

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GROCER'S BILL PAID

Friend of Dr. Ebbert Liquidates the Latter's Debt.

WASHERWOMEN COLLECTORS

They Are Hired by Grocer Broyles To Worry His Debtor.

LATTER SAYS HE WILL GO TO THE COURTS

ens To Sue the Grocer but the Latter Is Laughing First and Has His Money.

The account of \$4, for which the Broyles

Grocery Company has been dunning Dr.

Ebbert so assiduously for the last week, has been paid. Dr. Ebbert did not settle the account himself, and says he has not been whipped in the fight of which the newspapers have been full for the last three It seems that Dr. Edward W. Boyd, who is a close friend of Ebbert, determined to

put a stop to the unenviable predicament in which his friend had been placed, and went to the establishment of Broyles Brothers yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock and settled the account without Dr. Ebbert's knowledge or consent.

After a receipt had been rendered in full Broyles Brothers considered Dr. Ebbert had "yelled McDuff," as they express it, and had come to the conclusion he had too much to buck against and had better

But such, however, was not the case. Dr. Ebbert had not the slightest intimation the account had been paid until a friend notified him on the street yesterday afternoon. The physician expressed no joy over the settlement, but is rather inclined to regret it, as he had determined to give Broyles Brothers a fight to a finish, coasidering the treatment they sought to im-

The Collectors Have Retreated. When the amount was paid by Dr. Boyd. Brovies Brothers immediately discharged all their dusky collectors, and considered the war at an end. But there is where they were mistaken. The grocers have had their fun and now it is the doctor's time. It is said he will prosecute Broyles Brothers to the full extent of the law in the recorder's court.

Dr. Ebbert will be joined in the prosecution by Mr. Blandon, who lives in the same house, and who alleges the numerous dun bearers disturbed his sick wife to such an extent her condition was rendered much worse. It will be claimed that Mr. Broyles's action was both malicious and uncalled for, and that he had no right to send dozens lectors late at night disturbing the and quietude of the neighborhood.

But Mr. Broyles says this alleged bluff does not scare him worth a cent. He claims the sick woman is all a put up job on him and says he will be able to prove there was no sick woman in the

Mr. Broyles stated last night if Dr. Ebbert prosecuted him in the police court he would make six of the negroes who were commissioned as collectors, swear out warrants against the doctor for pointing a pistol at them, and would prosecute him in the state courts. It can readily be seen therefore that this unprecedented war is just in its incliner.

just in its incipiency.

Doctor Makes a Statement. When Dr. Ebbert found his bill had been paid he called at The Constitution office

and made the following statement:
"I had not the slightest idea the account had been settled until I was tool to payment and do not now know who paid it for me. I wish to state the debt is a just one, and I would have paid it sooner had I not been so pressed for money. Two days before Mr. Broyles began to send his tors I sent him part of the debt, the the promise of the balance when I and get a check cashed the next Monday. Instead of taking my word for it, though, Mr. Broyles began his war, and I, therefore, determined to let him worry to his heart's content, seeing he was disposed to treat me unfairly. We are going to prosecute him in the recorder's court, and will teach him that he has not established such an efficient collection agency after all."

This unique trial will come up next Tuesday before Judge Calhoun. The outcome will establish an interesting prece-dent here for the future.

Only One Washerwoman Sent. Broyles Brothers had selected yesterday as "washer woman's day," and had engaged about twenty-five old aunties to carry duns to the doctor.

Early yesterday morning one was sent, but the Ebberts refused to let her in and she, therefore, returned to the grocer with

out money or an answer. Broyles's Christmas trade became so lively that he did not have time to attend to the collectors, and consequently none others were sent up to the time the bill was paid.

The final outcome of this unique suit is still speculative.

ROYAL NEW YORKERS.

Descent from European Kings.

From The New York Journal. It will surprise most people, even the soci-ety reporters, to know that there are real dukes, princes and princesses galore mas-querading in the four hundred. Yet it is a need that New York has citizens as nearly akin to William the Conqueror as is his royal highness, Albert Edward, of Wales. Indeed, William the Conquerer is quite put out of court by ancestors such as Alfred the Great, Charlemagne and Hugh Capet, king of France, all of whom have so many lineal representatives this side the sea. It will be the easiest thing in the world for us to send over shiploads of kings, it by chance the effete monarchies shall come to need them.

come to need them.

How all this comes to pass has been set down in a book—a big book, 700 odd pages. It is entitled "Americans of Royal Descent," is published in Philadelphia by



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Charles B. Browning, a member of the American Historical Association, from state papers, genealogies, and manuscript family records, and purports to g ve "Genealogies of American Families Whose Lineage Is Traced to the Legitimate Issue of Kings." It is mighty interesting reading in parts—withal highly instructive in that it throws light and leads into the depths of social complications, social errancies, hitherto

complications, social errancies, hitherto larkly veiled.

For instance, the feud which some years back convulsed Newport society as to who was really and truly Mrs. Astor. The competitors for that title were, as everybody knows, Mrs. William Astor, born Schermerhorn, and the wife of her husband's nephew, William Waldorf Astor. Mrs. William set up a stout claim to precedence in right of up a stout claim to precedence in right of herself. Mrs. William Waldorf thought herself the family's leading woman because her husband was sole representativ cause her husband was sole representative of its elder branch. And she had many partisans, but they would scarcely have upheld her had they known, as is shown in Mr. Browning's big book, that Mrs. Astor, born Schermerhorn, is twenty-fifth in lineal descent from Hugh Capet, hence can boast one-thirty-three-million - four-hundred-and-seventy-four - thousand-four-hundred - and-thirty-scondib. Capet, blood. thirty-secondth of Capet blood. Her son, John Jacob Astor, has in turn one-sixty-six-million-nine-hundred - and - odd-thousandth of the same royal ichor, and his wife, born Willing, who descends likewise from Hugh Capet, but a generation further down, can past of but one-hundred-and-twenty-three m llion-eight-hundred - and-odd-thousandt

It is but fair to add that the royalty i by no means so attenuated as this would indicate. For half a dozen generations at the top the line is of reigning sovereigns, and there Mrs. John Jacob gets the better of her lord, as she descends through Hugh Capet's sons and grandsons, whereas his claim is through the female line. Mr. and Mrs. Royal Phelps Carroll like-

wise have their ped'grees separately and surely set forth. At a glance the page shows that Mr. Carroll himself is thirtyone generations from Alfred the Great and his wife thirty-three.

Yet all the figuring will hardly establish that we have half a king this side the her-

ring pond. But then our slips and scions are no more remote than many wear the purple and ruffle it as God's anointed. For example, Mr. James Hooker Hamersley's seven-million-dollar baby is more nearly related to the Scottish Stuarts than is Prince Edward of York, who may one day wear England's crown. Mr. Ham-ersley is also of those who presumably pay for display advertisement of their royalty. Another American duchess, Consuelo, of Manchester, is as royal as her scapegrac husband. He was twenty-eight in line from William the Conqueror. She is exactly the ame number of generations from Henry I of France. And right here is a good place to say that Lord Terence Blackwood, son of the earl of Dufferin, was showing atavism when he married Miss Davis, of New York. He had an American great-grand-mother, one Mehitable Hester Temple, who descended from Leofric, king of Leinster and several kings of the east Saxons. Royal blood is no bar to political pre-ferment. Witness Benjamin Harrison, of happy hope, twenty-third president of thes United States and thirty-third in descent from Alfred the Great. He derives royalty through his grandmother, Anne Symme

sister to John Cleve Symmes, the invento of Symmes's hole theory.

Another president, James Buchanan, had a king for great-grandfather a long time back, but the king hardly counted, he was such a little one and Irish at that, though of a most respectable antiquity. He was Fargallus, one hundred and fifty-sixth of his name. And then there's Mr. Nicholas Richard Connor, some time an alderman of New York, who is written down as the line of Coathair-Mor, one hundred and ninth king of all Ireland, and therefore a good deal more antique than the ancestor of

mrs. Cornelius Vandelbilt, Sr.'s pedigree runs on Alfred the Great, with Edmund Ironsides, Malcolm Canmore and heaps nore royalties by way of top cros perhaps lies the explanation of the Vander-bilt-Wilson imbroglio. Cornelius, Sr., it may be, naturally thought that what he had done with only money behind him, his son, with money and blood should do over again

—and to a greater degree.

Mr. Lispenard Stewart, New York's famous society swell, traces to James I of Scotland, through his daughter Janet's children by her third marriage with Gordon of Huntley. So do the Suydams, Schermerhorns, Barclays of New York and the Clymers of New York and Pennsylvania. The Livingstons also claim him as progenitor as well as Henry the Fowler, emperor of Germany, and Hugh Capet, of France This fact may possibly have some bearing upon the career of Mrs. Almont-Livingston-Fleming, since royal blood is notoriously

both amorous and fecund.

The Jays descend from Philip III, of
France. Allied to them with other dashes of royal blood are the Rutherfords Clark. sons and Pierreponts. The Van Rensselaers are royal blood through Anneka Webber, granddaughter to William of Nassau, prince of Orange. This Anneka it was who must answer for the ever green tradi-tion of the Anneka Jans estate, which is some day to enrich at least half the peopl of the country. The Wattses and De Peys ters go back in tangled and often crosses lines to Alfred the Great and Charlemangne Three other royal scions who have not disdained to become literary are Thomas Nelson Page, Amelie Rives-Chanler-Troubetskoi and Mrs. Burton Harrison, Rober II of Scotland is their royal forbear and they trace through the Randolphs of Vir-ginia. All the Breckinridges get royal blood through the same source, although in the male line; the Randolph descent is through the female. Other New York royal descendants are

the Delafields, Duers, Lawrences, Posts, Schieffelins and Riveses. In fact you can-not throw a brickbat through the society list without hitting upon some corner of royal pedigree.

There Are Quite a Number Who Claim | BIG MORTGAGE WAS FORECLOSED Hatcher Manufacturing Company in

> Charge of the Sheriff. Columbus, Ga., December 24.—(Special.)-The factory and store in this city of th Hatcher Manufacturing Company, was to day closed by the sheriff. It has been in ex stence about seven years and was engaged in the manufacture of wagons and buggles. The sheriff fore-closed a mortgage for about \$15,000, in favor of John T. Davis, Jr., transferee.

Now Go to Work.

The election is over. We had honest diferences about gold and silver and the people settled it. Politicians will probably con-tinue to agitate this financial matter as long as it appears profitable to them. but the great, controlling masses of citizens are not politicians. They are men whose mo-tives are somewhat different, as their object in life is to strictly attend to their own business. Now this business is work and mostly hard work, either with brain or We have too much politics, too many elections in Georgia, which divert our minds from our own interests and con-flict with our general prosperity. We want to stop agitating. It matters really very little to you or I who trodes into the solici-torship of the five hundredth district or what wily lawyer manipulates judicial jus-tice in Nickajack Neck. Let's drop it all and go to work on our own non-politics fences. We are all united in the upbuild fences. We are all united in the upbuilding of our material affairs and we should and we will bend every energy to our material development and advancement. Especially is this essential in the south. We need more men and money. We need to open our mines; utilize our water powers; enrich our lands; increase our products; erect new furnaces; build new mills; manufacture our raw products; give our railroads more freight and less lit gation, and generally by a wise, conservative, business policy upbuild our section by so enriching ourselves as to attract the brains, capital and muscle of the universe to naturally the richest and most promising country in the world. Let us touch elbows in this mutual endeavor.

FAILURES FALL OFF

Annual Stock Taking and Close of the Year Check Wholesale Trade.

BUSINESS NOT SATISFACTORY

Permanent Revival in Manufacture Not Expected Before Next Fall.

ANXIETY, UNCERTAINTY, IN IRON AND STEEL Bank Failures in Chicago and St. Paul Do Not Make a Favorable

New York, December 24.-Bradstreet's to-

Close for Present Month.

"The arrival of the holidays, the close of the year and the period of annual stock taking have further checked the volume of the wholesale business. Only filling-in orders are being received and trade is slow. Retail demand for holiday goods has been active, but it is for cheaper grades than in previous years. In other lines the distribution of merchandise has been smaller at a number of distributing centers. Failures of important banking institutions at northwestern cities tend to unsettle confidence in commercial and bank-

ing circles. "The moderate trade revival which folowed the last presidential election has been disappointing in that, aside from the Christmas demand, business has been more unsatisfactory for a month past than at a corresponding period in many years. The confidence with which merchants and manufacturers have been looking forward to the arrival of the delayed trade revival early in February next is less pronounced than it was, while the prospect for legislation next spring and summer looking to tariff revision and congressional anxiety to talk of affairs abroad, is more than likely to put off a permanent revival in

business here until next fall. "The shake-up in the iron and steel prices is nearly complete and quotations for bessemer pig iron and for steel billets have got down to the level of those for other staples. The break last week precipitated speculation in bessemer pig iron and billets and large purchases for an advance and for consumption have been made-more than 300,000 tons of billets-some of billet pool has been patched up nominally. Bessemer pig, which went off to \$10.50 on the break and on the prospect of a read-justment of costs, is firmer and has sold at \$11. Anxiety is felt in the iron and price of Lake ore under the new combination to control that staple. A Pittsburg concern is shipping 2,000 tons of sheet bars to the United Kingdom and southern pig iron furnaces report further sales in England. Sheet and tin plate bars have sold down to \$16.50. Rails are firm at \$25, but that does not show the shrinkage suffered encourage high crop views and account for the reaction in price. Lard and petro-leum are also lower. Unchanged quotations are reported for wheat flour, sugar, pork

and coffee, as well as for print cloths.
"Manufacturers of wool have not open "Manufacturers of wool have not opened heavy weight samples yet and are not inclined to buy raw materials except to com-plete orders in hand. Some Massachusetts mills have booked fair spring orders, but the industry in Rhode Island does not appear to be so well situated and two large mills expect to shut down soon. There are 278 business failures reported throughout the United States this week, 32 less than last week and 11 more than in the corre sponding week a year ago.

What Dun & Co. Say. New York, December 24.-R. G. Dun & Co. will say tomorrow, in their weekly re-

failure of two importan second in size of business at Chicago and the oldest at St. Paul, with some others de-pendent on them, closes not favorably a month which promised to end with only moderate com mercial disasters. It does not essen the effect of these failures that one was caused by enormous loans in aid of an electric railway and other concerns, and that the other appears to have resulted from heavy ventures in unsaleable real es-tate. Since several thousand business men and depositors are for the time embarrassed as much as the speculators that caused the trouble, the breakdown is the reverse of hopeful at present, although it comes when money markets are well supplied and when no serious effect in business is to be appre-hended. Other important events of the week are the failure of the bilet and rail pools to find a basis for agreement and the reduction of wages in shoe manufact-ure. The holiday trade has been fair, but generally in articles of medium grade. The reports of earnings are not cheering and the aggregate for December thus far has been 4.5 per cent less than last year, the granger and other western roads showing most decrease.

"The fall in steel billets from over \$20 to about \$16 at Pittsburg, and in steel rails from \$28 net for mills to \$25, less brokers' commissions, produce so great a change in other prices and conditions of business that the meeting held here this week for the purpose of reviving pools and fixing prices influenced operators throughout the country. But no agreement was reached, and meanwhile contracts have been made covering the wants of most producers for three months and some for the whole of the year 1897, and it is said that large contracts have been made at \$15 at Pittsburg and \$17.50 at the east. Besse has declined to \$11.15 and gray forge to \$9.65 at Pittsburg, while bar and other finished products remain unchanged, though 100,000 bundles of cotton ties have been contracted for at 60 cents per bundle. The production of coke increases rapidly, 9,660 ovens being in blast, with an output of

97,155 tons for the week. "In the cotton manufacturing there is fur-ther deckine in some staple goods and tak-ings by northern spinners are disappointingly light. Print cloths accumulate and prices do not advance. Raw cotton comes forward just as it did in other years when official and other stories of injury ended in great crops. Sales of wool are restricted by the general conviction that prices asked by interior holders cannot be realized, and there is considerable disposition to unload speculative purchases at seaboard markets. Most manufacturers have more wool

THE GREAT HUXLEY.

What Huxley, the Great English Scientist, Considered the Best Start in

The great English scientist, Huxley, said the best start in life is a sound stomach. Weak stomachs fall to digest food properly, because they lack the proper quantity of digestive acids (lactic and hydrochloric) and peptogenic products; the most sensible remedy in all cases of indigestion is to take effor each meal one or two of Stuart's remedy in all cases of indigestion is to take after each meal one or two of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets, because they supply in a pleasant, harmless form all the elements that weak stomachs lack.

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Nearly all druggists sell Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets at 50 cents full sized package, Send for free book on Stomach Troubles, to Stuart Co., Marshall, Mich. than they have orders, and others meet as yet no satisfactory demand for goods. The volume of business, all branches considered, is not large. Payments through clearing houses have been for the week 25 per cent less than last year, and for the month thus far the daily average is 9.5 per cent less than last year.

cent less than last year.
"Fallures for the week have been 297 in
the United States, against 322 last year,
and 44 in Canada, against 40 last year."

LI AND HIS EMPEROR.

A Review of the Recent Complication in China. From The New York Tribune

From The New York Tribune.

Matters at Peking are in ominous confusion. Of that there is no longer room for doubt Early accounts of the home coming of Li Hung Chang were vague and somewhat contradictory. It was stated in one breath that he had been made minister for foreign affairs, with almost supreme authority over the whole government, and in the next that he had been punished and degcaded for some trifling infraction of court cificatic; from which statements various theories were evolved, all more or rious theories were evolved, all more or less fanciful. Later reports are more to the point and give a perfectly distinct and doubtiess accurate view of the exceedingly interesting state of affairs now existing at the celestial capital. In brief, then, the old conflict between emperor and emperor-makers is on again in increased intensity; to understand which a bit of past history

must be recalled.

The Emperor Hien Fung, dying in 1861, left the theone to his infant son, Tung Chi.

During the latter's minority the povernment was conducted by a regency of four-Tung Cm, Hien Fung's concubine, the Em-press Downger Tse Hsi, and Hien Fung's two brothers, Primce Kung and Prince Chun. When Tung Chi became eighteen years old he showed himself an ambitious and headstrong young man, who wanted to be the rea; ruler of his realm. He announced that he would take the govern ment into his own hands. And two years afterwards he died, some declaring that his exit had been expedited by interested par-ties. As he left no son, the regents, now increased to five in number by the eccession of LA Hung Chang, selected the son of Prince Chun to be his successor, and he is the present emperor, Kwang Su. Now, Kwang Su was at that time only four years old, wherefore the five regents as old, wherefore the five regents assumed full charge of the government and held it for twelve years. Then Kwang Su announced that he was ready to take affairs into his own hands, but they, being tactful as well as able, contrived to retain control for e years longer, artfully persuading him that he was ruling and they were his most obedient servants, when really he was

mere puppet in their hands.

His eyes were opened to the real state of affairs at the time of the Japanese war. He became exceedingly wroth, and vented all his anger upon Li Hung Chang, because that venerable statesman was the only one of the regents who was not a member of the imperial family, and the Chinese religious doctrine of filial piety forbade the young emperor to turn his hand against his own kin of an elder generation. That was why Li Hung Chang was on a filmsy pretext deprived of his yellow jacket and peacock feathers; he was the scapegoat of the whole regency. Since then there has been pretty steady war between the two parties—on the one side the young em-peror and his satellites; on the other the regents, or those who are left of them Prince Chun, the emperor's father "the Sword of the Manchoo Dynasty," is now dead, and so is one of the dowager empresses—the one who was Hien Fung's lawful wife. Prince Rung, moreover, has retired from political life. So there are only two left, the richest, ablest and most Getermined of them all—the Dowager Empress

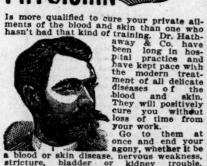
Tse Hsi and Id Hung Chang.

When Id started on his recent journey around the world the emperor received him at a farewell audience, at which a more than arctic frost is said to have prevailed. On his return to Peking Li dutifully repaired to the palace to pay his respects to the emperor. But on his way he stopped for a few moments to call on his old friend and ally, the Dowager Empress Tse !lsi, at he house just outside the walls of the forbidden city. And that was his fault, that he called on her before he presented himself to the emperor. For that the empror fined him a year's salary and again deprived him of the Order of the Yellow Jacket. As for the foreign ministry, that was a delusion and a snare. The emperor reckoned Li too powerful and too dangerous a man to be again entrusted with the of the emperor's own sight. So he created for him an office with the high-sounding title of minister for foreign affairs, with headquarters at Peking, but with merely

headquarters at Peking, but with merely nominal duties and absolutely no power or authority. It was a mere fiction for keeping Li where he could do no harm. Such is the story, as it is told, to date, What the sequel will be is matter for interesting speculation. Li is scarcely the man to endure such suppression and Tse Hsi is not the woman to desert her old ally or to be heaten in the same of politics by or to be beaten in the game of politics by the young nephew whom she helped to put the young nephew whom she helped to put upon the throne. So those two, out of the imperial favor and holding no real official places, will bring all their great ability and indomitable will and almost unmeasured wealth to bear against the son of heaven to force him back beneath their control. It will be a royal, an imperial struggle, with the rulership of the empire for its stake,

The Scottish people were the Scoti, the prehistor c invaders of Ireland. They are supposed to have been either Germans or Slavonians. Ireland was called Scotia from the fourth to the tenth century. In the reign of Henry II, 1164, it began to be called Ireland. The Scoti also settled Scotland and there retained their original designation.

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Calumet State Bank at Blue Island, Ill. Makes Assignment.

TURBULENT SCENE IN FRONT

Present Officials Declare That Predecessors Ruined Institution.

Capitalist Who Resigned from the Di rectory Says He Did So Because

of the Manner of Business.

Chicago, Ill., December 24.-A continued run of two days made upon the Calumet State bank, at Blue Island, Ill., forced its officers to close their doors today.

Shortly after noon an assignment was made by the bank in the county court, the assignee being Melville C. Eames, the vice president. The deed of assignment gives the assets as \$87,669, and the liabilities as

The officers attribute the failure to the run, but say that little money, compara-tively speaking, was drawn out. The deposits amount to about \$60,000 and the asconsist largely of securities of de-

batable value. It is said the securities must be handled carefully in order to realize anything like their value. The bank is owned by a stock their value. The bank is owned by a stock company, has a capital of about \$25,000 and is eight years old. Until last May, W. A. Ray was president and W. G. Press the main stockholder. The present officials allege that the old management nearly wrecked the institution by bad management and reckless learning of money or ment and reckless loaning of money on bad securities. Since then it has been a struggle for existence and the bank was in no condition to stand a run.

The present officers are: G. C. Eogart, president; M. C. Eames, vice president, and W. B. Brayton, cashler. The assignee claims that if given time the bank will pay depositors in full. The scene around the bank building today was a turbulent one, and a detail of police was found neces sary to attend the crowd of clamoring de-positors. The majority of the depositors are said to be poor people.

Confidence Is Returning. Only a few more depositors than usual were at the Hibernian and Illinois Trust and Savings banks to withdraw their sav ings, and complete confidence may be said to have been restored on the part of the sublic, so far as it can be gauged by out-

ward signs.
Directors Adams, Jenkins, Corwith, Kerfoot and Page, of the defunct National Bank of Illinois, made an informal call on Temporary Receiver McKeown at the bank today, and also conferred with each other in an informal manner, as all the directors were not present. They urged Mr. Mc-Keown to make a very careful accounting of the Calumet electric road bonds held by the bank. These directors went to the bank in their capacity of creditors. They are anxious to see the best interests of the bank subserved and wished to know exactly what the bonds were worth as assets. The directors talked amo the Calumet road and hereby realize

enough to pay in full the depositors of the defunct National Bank of Illinois.

They said that was their only alm now and that there was no doubt that all but the stockholders would get dollar for dollar. The stockholders do not expect so much. On account of the large part which the Calumet securities play in the bank's the Calumet securities play in the bank's assets, Director George E. Adams said Comptroller Eckels should be careful to appoint as permanent receiver a man who would inspire confidence and be above sus-picion of being interested in depreciating the value of the Calumet securities. There the value of the Caumer securities. The is a sharp contest for the receivership, one of the candidates being ex-Mayor John P. Hopkins, who took a conspicuous part in the gold democratic campaign. He is a personal friend of Comptroller Eckels, but a strong protest has been aroused against

him because he is believed to have more political than banking experience. Wrong Entry on Books. Edward H. Valentine, a capitalist, who was a director of the collapsed bank, said today that he resigned from the directory about a year ago because he would not approve the additional loan of \$900,000 on Calumet bonds, which was carried on the bank books as "foreign exchange." He declared that every director was cognizant of all the bank dealings in Calume Director Jenkins, when asked if there would be any prosec with the wreck, said:

"No; not at present."
Otto Wasmandorff, of the defunct private banking firm, and son-in-law of Presi-dent Scheider, of the National Bank of Illirois, has mortgaged his household goods for \$500, and the mortgage was recorded

this morning.
W. A. Paulsen, who was president of the defunct Central Trust and Savings bank, began suit today in the superior court against President W. C. D. Grannis, Di-rector Charles B. Farreil, and the Atlas National bank, claiming \$250,000 damages. Paulsen said his bank was forced to close because the Atlas refused to clear for him, well knowng he was solvent at the time, which was said to have been done in re-venge for Paulsen's refusal to use the bank's funds to pay a personal note of \$30,000 in favor of the Atlas bank, Paulsen says he lost the sale of his bank stock for \$90,000 because of this action, as the deal was going through when the bank was forced to close. The stock is now worth-less. The Atlas bank is said to have conceded that the \$30,000 note cannot be collected from the Central bank, and the damage suit followed.

Nothing Slow About America. Our esteemed English contemporary, Industries and Iron, presents the following pleasing list of inventions which it says are claimed by Americans. We ourselves have never heard of any of them, but then one must go abroad to get the news. It says: "One has heard less lately of those of Mr. Edison's inventions which are to be of Mr. Edison's inventions which are to be employed in case of war, more especially of his 'sniggling chains' and 'electric water,' but still one does occasionally hear of some tail 'inventions' of our cousins in the United States. It has been gravely announced in some of the American journals that a native inventor has perfected 'a deep-sea locomotive and train, capable of moving on the surface or beneath the water, or at the bottom of the sea.' Another inventor has designed a torpedo, carrying in its bows a powerful electro-magnet, which will be attracted by the steel hull of a vessel, and affix itself there until exof a vessel, and affix itself there until exparts, each part remaining 'alive' and inparts, each part remaining alive and in-tact. A leading feature of the last 'inven-tion' is that when destruction is imminent (we are surprised to learn they are not in-vulnerable) the crew escape through wa-ter-tight doors. Having done this, the es-caped crew will probably take a seat in the Pullman cars of the 'deep-sea locomotive train.'

tion of people under the rule of Latinus, 1240 B. C. Toey inhabited the central re-gions of Italy about midway between the Alps and the southern extremity. It is as-Aips and the southern extremity. It is asserted by some critics that the Latin language first developed in this district. Others assert, and try to prove, that what is now called the Latin was the literary language of Rome, and that from the earliest history the common people spoke a dialect closely analogous to the present fialian.

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Seaboard's President Began to Retaliate History of the Warships of the Confed-On the Baltimore Financier.

ATTEMPTED TO DEFEAT HIM IT IS FROM OFFICIAL RECORDS

Messrs. McLane and Fisher Stood by General Gill and Saved Him. Financial Agent Unchanged.

It is said that President R. C. Hoffman, of the Seaboard, and General John Gill, who tried to sell a controlling interest in the property to Mr. Thomas F. Ryan, have been brought together and have patched up a peace. Mr. Hoffman started in to retaliate by opposing General Gill for reelection as president of the Mercantile Trust and Deposit Company, of Baltimorè. Mr. Hoffman also proposed to take the Seaboard's financing away from the Mercantile Trust and make some other banking institution the company's financial

President Hoffman was mad because General Gill had tried to get him out of the Seaboard and he started in to pay off that old score. General Gill, however, won the support of Messrs. Louis McLane and the support of Messrs, Louis McLane and C. D. Fisher, directors in the Seaboard, and their influence saved General Gill. President Haffman had counted on their opposition to General Gill. Mr. Hoffman declared that General Gill had fought him and tried to sell him out and he wanted to get even. He complained that he had been treated badly by one whom he supposed was his friend and he did not propose to be so treated again by the same person. to be so treated again by the same person.

Messrs. McLane and Fisher stated that
they thought General Gill had done nothing more than he had a perfect right to do as a security holder in the Seaboard. So General Gill was re-elected. Friends of General Gill was re-elected. Friends of Gill and Hoffman arranged for a meeting between them and they agreed to stop hostilities. Mr. Hoffman withdrew his opposition to the Mercantile Trust and that institution will continue to be the Seaboard's financial agent.

Mr. Moncure Robinson's death does not change the situation in regard to the pooled stock. He had a large interest in it, but the stock he had a large interest in it, but the stock is bound up in a five years' contract unless three-fourths of it favors dissolu-tion of the pool. Mr. Robinson was in Atlanta while the Ryan option was pend-ing and at that time expressed himself as well satisfied with the company's pros-

years satisfied with the company pros-pects.

News comes from Portsmouth that Judge
Watts, the Seaboard's general counsel, will
soon move to have the injunction granted
by Judge Hughes, of Virginia, dissolved.

That injunction also restrained the Sea-

tion made in Atlanta for a receiver for the Atlanta and West Point, but it is said that the investigation will include an inquiry into the relations which exist between the and the relations between the Atlanta and West Point and the Southern. How much of it can be regarded as material will be a question for the Judge to determine. The Seaboard complains that the Atlanta and West Point discriminates against it not only in the matter of train service, but also in the matter of rates, charging full local rates for business originating at non-competitive points on the Seaboard, while it accepts a pro rate for business originating anywhere on the Southern. The transfer books of the Atlanta and West Point show that Mr. L. B. Nelson's five shares were transferred to him last July. Now the question is, did he have

this proceeding in mind when he bought the stock? Railway Notes.

Captain V. E. McBee, general superintendent of the Seaboard, spends his Christmas in Atlanta. Mr. S. H. Hardwick, of the Southern has gone to Montgomery for Christmas. The railroad men will have holiday today, so far as is possible.

Very little freight moves today, except live stock and perishables.

S. T. Seeley, division passenger agent of the Erie at Elmira, has resigned.

The Southern railway's freight soliciting office has been moved from Alabama street to the Kiser building.

E. J. Knickerbocker has been appointed division freight and passenger agent of the Chicago and Eastern Illinois.

C. F. Rossignol, superintendent of the Santa Fe's Chicago division, has been appointed assistant general superintendent of the company, with headquarters at Topeka.

General John B. Gordon goes to Tampa, Fla., tomorrow to speak at the Casino Auditorium on "The Last Days of the Confederacy." Colonel B. W. Wrenn, passenger traffic manager of the Plant system, who was a member of General Gordon's staff, is securing the strongest attractions for the Casino.

pneumonia.

It is stated that the operating department of the Santa Fe is planning to make a trial soon for the world's record for the fastest railroad run. It is to be run on the 200-mile piece of track between La Junta, Col., and Dodge City, Kan.

A report is current that General Freight Agent J. W. Loud, of the Grank Trunk, is to succeed John Barton, the representative of the road in the board of managers of the Joint Traffic Association; that Mr. Loud will be succeeded by David Brown, of Chicago, now first assistant general freight agent, and that Sumner Hopkins, agent at Detroit, will succeed Mr. Brown.

F. H. Stevens has succeeded M. L. Hin-man as president of the Brooks locomo-tive works.

The Staten Island Rapid Transit em-ployes presented a silver service on Thurs-day night to General Manager Frank S. Gannon, who is to be third vice president

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eracy and the Union.

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Washington, December 24.—Volume 4, of series I, official records of the union and confederate navies in the war of the re-bellion, has been published under the di-

series I, official records of the union and confederate navies in the war of the rebellion, has been published under the direction of Secretary Herbert, Lieutenant Commander Richard Rush, of the navy, and Mr. Robert H. Woods.

The distribution of the work by the terms of the law under which it is prepared, is under the control of congress, and not under the department. This law was approved July 31, 1894, and in November of that year the publication was begun. Only such material is used as may be certified to be contemporaneous naval records of the war, divided into three series in this order of arrangement:

I. The first series embraces the reports, orders and correspondence, both union and confederate, relating to all naval operations on the Atlantio and gulf coasts and inland waters of the United States during the war of the rebellion, together with the operations of vessels acting singly, either as cruisers or privateers, in different parts of the world.

II. The second series embraces the reports, orders and correspondence relating to:

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1. The condition of the union navy in 1861, before the commencement of hostili-ties, and to its increase during the progress of the war.

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2. The construction and outht of the confederate navy, including privateers.
3. Statistical data of all vessels, union and confederate.
4. Returns of naval and military property captured by the navies of both; discussed during the war.
5. Correspondence relating to naval prisoners.

III. The third series embraces all re-

III. The third series embraces all reports, orders, correspondence and returns of the union and confederate authorities not specially relating to the matter of the first and second series.

Illustrations of each class or type of vessels referred to are given in order to preserve the identity of these ships as they actually appeared during the war.

Much difficulty has been found in collecting the records, for while the official reports of commanders of fleets and of vessels are on file in the navy department, the correspandence between flag officials and their subordinates is frequently missing.

Mithout the squadron corre That injunction also restrained the Seaboard from reducing rates.

President Hoffman is quoted as saying department has secured the letter-books and papers of the chief actors of both sides. The reports of the union commanders are fairly full and complete, but those of the confederate officers not so complete, owing to the great difficulty in collecting and also to the fact that much of the confederate archives was burned at the close of the war.

federate archives was burned at the close of the war. Duplicates of many of these have been found among the personal files of the participants, and the hope is expressed that the publication will lead to the discovery of others.

The third volume, recently published, completed the reports of the operations of the cruisers to the close of the war. The present compilation treats of earlier events in that struggle, notably those that occurred on the Atlantic and gulf coasts.

Pa., is seeking transportation on different railroads we the false claim that he is an employe of the Chesapeake and Ohio.

The Buffalo, Rochester and Pfitsburg will this week put one of the largest locomotives into service running on any road in this country. It is a mogul weighing 134,000 pounds, exclusive of the tender, and 267,000 pounds with it.

General Manager W. M. Greene, of the Baltimore and Ohio, says that there is no truth in the report that that company is back of the Benton Harbor and Southeastern, now under construction, and the Cincinnati, Union City and Huntington railroads, which is being located in Indiana.

roads, which is being located in Indiana.

The following appointments have been made on the Pennsylvania road: Aimet E. Reed, from superintendent of the Sunbury division to superintendent of the Altoona division, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Robert E. Marshall; W. B. McCaleb, from superintendent of Bedford division to superintendent of the Sunbury division, and F. H. Abercrombie, from assistant engineer to superintendent of Bedford division. Mr. Reed and Mr. Abercrombie entered the engineering department of the Pennsylvania in 1875, and Mr. McCaleb the engineering corps in 1882.

McCaleb the engineering corps in 1882.

Granville M. Dodge, Frank Trumbull and other officials of the Union Pacific, Denver and Gulf railroad have arrived in Galveston from Denver to confer with the deep water utilization committee. The visit is regarded as significant in view of the possible dismemberment of the Union Pacific system as a result of foreclosure without agreement with the federal government and the probability that the Denver line, in looking for a partition, has its eyes on that port.

E. F. Kniblao, general agent of the Buffalo Creek road at Buffalo, has been elected president of the Buffalo Association of Railroad Superintendents. J. P. Bradford, of the New York Central, is vice-president, and W. H. Halsey, manager of the Western New York Car Service Association, is secretary and treasurer.

Burton Johnson, assistant general freight agent of the Northwestern, is to become general freight agent of the Wisconsin Central January 4th. Mr. Johnson, who grew up on the Northwestern, is about thirty-eight years old and a thorough freight traffic man. He was for years an assistant general freight agent of the freight bus ness on the northern end of the system in Wisconsin and Michigan. Subsequently he had charge of the Iowa lines of the road. It is believed the office of traffic manager of the Wisconsin Central will be abolished and that Mr. Johnson will have full charge of the freight business, with the title of general freight agent.

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ATLANTA, GA., December 25, 1896.

A Christmas Chat.

No doubt Santa Claus is in bed by this time. He's had a pretty hard time of it this year, any way you look at it. In the first place he has had more youngsters to provide for. They spring up like mushrooms, these youngsters. Of course. Santa Claus is too old and too wise to complain of that, for if the lads and lassies didn't spring up like mushrooms, old Santa would have to go out of business. In the second place, there around-all sorts of queer inventions, with buzzwheels and bangles, and langles, and contraptions and conflutements, as we say in Georgia.

It has come to pass that when a man is good and wants to be truly happy he turns in and invents a new toy or something that will please the children, and the result is that Santa Claus has to make his wallet bigger and bigger each year. That is why we think Santa Claus is in bed and resting by this time. He has had a night of it, and

we hope he will have pleasant dreams. The youngsters in this day and time have more toys, and better and more beautiful books than Santa Claus could find a half century ago. In fact, there is a surfeit of things intended to arouse the little ones, but those who have grown up and have children of their own can tell you that the youngsters were just as happy when they had few toys. They were happy just dry so. Give 'em a bunch of firecrackers, a tin can and a tin horn, and they asked for nothing more.

Even down to this day and time you will notice that a boy with a tin horn is just as happy as he can be. All that necessary is that the tin horn should have a loud voice, and if anybody ever no disposition on the part of the governsaw a tin horn with weak lungs, we'd be glad to have the particulars for pub-a difficulty with this country. Senor remedying the evils that beset the bustogether with a photograph of the horn.

There is a tradition in Georgia that the tin horn business originated in Savannah. There was once a mayor of Savannah-it may have been Dr. Arnold, who, though a very brilliant man, was hard-headed when he wanted to be -who concluded to prohibit fireworks in the public squares of that city. So he printed his proclamation to that effect in the newspapers. Colonel Wil-Ham T. Thompson, who wrote "Mayor Jones's Courtship," was editing The News, and he wrote a little paragraph stating that the boys, instead of being angry with the good mayor, should be thankful, and suggesting that each and every lad should buy a tin horn and go around and serenade the mayor.

The idea took like wildfire. Every boy in town bought a tin horn and marched around in the square on which the mayor's house fronted, with the result that the boys had more fun than ever, while the mayor had more Christmas to the square inch than anybody in town, except his next-door neighbors. That afternoon, so the story goes, the mayor set the presses of the town to work and issued a poster proclamation, declaring that the public squares could be used for fireworks, but not for tin horns. Whereupon the square in front of the mayor's house was vacated by the boys, who proceeded to celebrate their victory by forming a procession and marching through the streets blowing their horns.

The tin horn celebration spread to other towns, and throughout the country. It has died out to some extent in Atlanta, but any healthy boy can tell you that there is more Christmas in a tin horn than in anything else that is so cheap. Toys are frail and easily broken, and even the squeaking ones grow dumb, but there is something about a tin horn that preserves its lungs and its interior machinery from destruction. Nobody ever saw a dumb tin horn

No doubt, as heretofore, there are many little children who will not have even a tin horn this Christmas, and that is the reason some of them refuse to believe in Santa Claus, or who think he is an aristocratic old fraud who only visits the houses where there is money to burn. It is a pity that such an idea ever got abroad, and all good men and all good women should make haste to overtake this sad bad rumor, and make an end of it. There is no need of having a brass band to go with you, no need to send a fine to the newspapers announcing that Mr. Flimflam. or Mrs. Flimflam mounted a carriage Christmas day and went around trying to convince some of the unfortunate ones that Santa Claus truly underas the spirft of the day we cele-

knock at the door of the humblest dwelling you can find-and, oh, there are so many humble ones to be found-and say to those that open unto you that of a long series of oppres Santa Claus was so weary when he reached your house that he asked you to deliver a few parcels for him. And then when you have gone as far as your purse will carry you, go back and pray that He may preserve you to make even a nobler and a more unselfish celebration of His glorious birth. And above all things, pray that the rich and prosperous in all lands may be brought to open their eyes to the responsibilities resting on them.

A Bird's-Eye View.

In the current issue of Harper's Weekly appear two notable contributions bearing upon different phases of the Cuban question. One is entitled "The Attitude of Spain toward the United States," by Arthur Houghton, the Madcorrespondent of The London News; while the other is from the pen of C. E. Akers, the Havana correspondent of The London Times, and deals with the Cuban uprising.

These articles should be thoughtfully perused not only because of the bird'seye view of this paramount subject which they furnish in a brief and condensed form but also because of the disinterested and non-partison spirit in which they are written. Dealing with the various phases of the question from the standpoint of Englishmen, neither correspondent is biased in favor of this country, and yet the light which they throw upon the subject amply justifies the stand taken by the people of the United States.

With respect to the attitude of Spain toward this country, Mr. Houghton says that a bitter feling of hostility has long existed among the Spaniards. While various causes may no doubt enter into this feeling, the writer ascribes are more new-fangled toys to lug it in a large measure to jealousy and distrust. Spain labors under the idea that both her political and material interests clash with those of the United States in Cuba. On account of the close proximity of the island to the markets of this country she has been in constant fear of losing her Cuban trade, which, until the present uprising, amounted to nearly \$22,000,000 annually. This feeling of jealous apprehension is not of recent birth. It began as far back as the reign of Isabella II when public opinion in Spain credited the United States with having inspired the agitations that resulted in the great Cuban uprising of 1868-79. It is even claimed that the present revolution on the island owes its existence to Cuban refugees in the United States, who have acquired the right of citizenship in this country merely for the purpose of aiding the insurgents. With the progress of hostilities during the last few months this hatred has steadily increased until now it constitutes a bond of union between the various political

factions of the kingdom. But while the sympathy existing between the United States and Cuba has had the effect of uniting the poliment, says Mr. Houghton, to engage in Canovas, prime minister to the queen, is hopeful of bringing the Cuban rebellion to a successful issue, and believes that, while the people of the United States are in sympathy with the Cubans, there will be no intervention on the part of the government itself.

Says the writer, in speaking of the prime minister:

He stakes his popularity, the stability of his government, the prestige of his party, on an early success of the military efforts of Spain in Cuba, as he well knows that he has nothing to expect from European diplomacy, European sympathies, and monarchial governments beyond purely platonic wishes of success and unofficial expressions of regret that the courts and cabinets of the old world cannot afford to quarrel 7th the United States. He disc ed this feature of the situation last summer when his minister for foreign affairs, Duke Tetuan, consulted the ambassadors of the great powers on the welcome that a Spanish memorandum on the relations of Spain with Cuba and the United States was likely to meet at the hands of their governments. The memorandum was shelved, not only because it was so coldly received by the representatives of the powers at the summer resort of the Spanish court, San Sebastian, but also owing to the very peremptory representations that instantly made, on August 12th to the duke of Tetuan by States minister, Mr. Hannis Taylor, as soon as he was accidentally informed that the Spanish government contem plated making such an appeal to European powers. Since then Don An-tonio Canovas del Castillo ceased to look to Europe for assistance, and he has trusted to the sole resources of Spain for a final and decisive effort in Cuba, to use his own words.

From the above citation it is evident that Spain is in no condition to engage in a difficulty with the United States. She will do well if she subdues the Cuban and Philippine uprisings; and from present indications she is not equal to either task. In spite of the hopeful views of the prime minister the Spanlards are beginning to realize the gravity of the situation and to doubt the ability of the government to extinguish the revolution in Cuba.

Such in brief is the substance of Mr. Houghton's article. Whatever the at titude of the United States may be in dealing with the Cuban question hereafter, he is satisfied that Spain is not willing to risk the consequences of a war with this country. As to the possibilities of losing Cuba he believes that such a national disaster will not only be a grievous blow to the Spaniards, but that it will also endanger the stability

of the empire. Mr. C. E. Akers, in discussing the Cuban uprising, states that Spain has been a cruel and oppressive ruler. Instead of cultivating the respect and love of her subjects on the island she has inspired them with feelings of hatred and revenge. To each demand for just go quietly, and humbly relief which the Orbans have made in people happy.

recent years she has responded with ncreased burdens, and the present revolution therefore is simply the outgrowth

With respect to the mode of warfare adopted by the Cubans, Mr. Akers states that it does not merit the hasty condemnation so frequently bestowed upon it. He says that the Cubans canhealth, the strength and the will-to the use of improved weapons, they are make even one of His little ones happy; compelled to resort to crude, guerilla tactics.

In explanation of the failure of Spain with 200,000 men to subdue the island, Mr. Akers says that much is due to the defective plan of campaign upon which General Weyler and his predecessors in command have proceeded. Sickness is another complaint which has vexed the Spaniards. Nearly 40,000 men are now confined to the various Spanish hospitals on the island, suffering from malarla and other disorders. As to the outcome of the struggle Mr. Akers makes no prediction although he seems to be deeply impressed with the progress which the Cubans have made. To show how the trade between Cuba and the United States has suffered since the war commenced the writer shows that in 1894 Cuba imported goods from this country to the amount of \$74,488,480 during the first nine months of that year, while for the corresponding months of the present year the imports of the island have aggregated only \$22,726,268. Aside from this injury Mr. Akers further shows that a vast amount of property belonging to Americans in Cuba has been ruthlessly destroyed by the Spaniards and that in justice to her own interests the United States should adopt some measure of protection.

Interesting Vital Statistics.

An interesting feature of the census recently taken in the state of Massachusexts is presented in the record of births, marriages and deaths which have occurred during the year.

With a total population of 2,500,183 the number of births recorded during the period covered by the census is fixed at 67,545. Of this number 34,623 were found to be males and 32,905 females. With respect to nationality, however, only 21,851 were of American parentage.

The marriages for the year numbered 23,102, while death claimed no less than 47.540, of which number 24.175 were males and 23,365 females. Violent causes produced 2.317 of these deaths, including seventy-four homicides, 281 suicides, 281 from accidents, 1,019 from the use of alcohol and 800

from causes unknown or ill-defined. As to the divorce records, the census shows that 2,110 cases were pending on the 1st of January, 1895, while a much larger number had been disposed of during the twelve months preced-

These figures are interesting as they show in a relative manner at least the conditions which prevail in other states of the union.

Bryan in Atlanta.

It is gratifying to note that the honors paid to Mr. Bryan by the democrats of Atlanta were not factional in their character. Those who had differed with him as to the best methods of country, joined with their fellow democrats in doing honor to one of the greatest of modern democrats, a man who is as broad and as cathelic in his conceptions and sympathies as the principles of the democratic party, which concerns itself with the welfare of all the people without regard to party, class or condition.

It was a fitting moment for all democrats to lay aside their differences and come together for the purpose of paying tribute to a man who is the most typical political leader of his time and the most unselfish advocate of the people's cause, and our citizens took advantage of it. Gold and silver men joined together to welcome Mr. Bryan. It was characteristic of the great leader of the party that he should seize the opportunity to declare that he was not wedded to any particular method of reaching the end and aim of democratic government, but would welcome any method that produced the desired result—that result being the prosperity and happiness of the people. This is democracy of the highest typethe end and not the means.

The illustration of this is simple. If the republicans can restore prosperity to the people, the result will warrant the means employed, and whatever legitimate and just method is used to bring that result about will be indorsed by Mr. Bryan, the democratic party and all the people. It is for this reason that The Constitution has been urging the republicans to get together and convince the people that their methods of reform will accomplish what they are pledged to accomplish. People may differ about these methods, but there will be no difference about them if they succeed in doing what the republicans say they will. The money questionsilver and gold, or gold alone-is not worth talking about merely as a theory. The great object and aim of the contention on both sides is to restore prosperity to the people.

Santa Claus expects the rich and prosperous to help him out at this season. Why not put your name down as one of his walking delegates?

Just think of it! The time will soon come to turn over a new leaf. If The Constitution's good wishes will help you out, you are having a merry

Christmas this day. We hope Mr. McKinley believes in

It is so easy to forget the little children of the poor that we hope Santa Claus keeps a memorandum book.

The way to be happy is to make other

JUST FROM GEORGIA.

The Little Waifs. To come an' make us glad,
'Cos we ain't got no mother. Ner father—like we had. It don't come to no place like this:— We's orphants-that's thes what we isl

But Johnny-he's too little To know our parunts' dead; An' he thes waits for Santy Claus An' hears him on the shed; An' he's hung them stocks er his, Thes like folks knowed wher orphants is! But Sis an' me-we's older,

An' we thes keep awake An' ask God, please sen' Santy Claus Only fer Johnny's sake. 'Cos he's done hung them stocks er his, Thes like God knowed wher orphants is!

The Major's Excuse. "Too bad! The major sends word that e won't be out today, having decided to spend Christmas at home with his family."
"Yes; I know all about that. He got full last night, and his wife locked him in for a week!

Fall To! Talk not of Spain and Spaniards The furious battle charge, For the lid is off the oven

And the appetite is large!

"Delightful Christmas weather," said the ecorder, rubbing his hands, "but if some of the boys don't watch out they'll get thirty days of it!"

Now, let us stop fighting Spain long mough to make peace with our Christmas creditors.

A Christmas Tragedy. Don't know of they'll try him In the courts er not; Johnny fired the cannon-Daddy wuz half-shot!

Don't be afraid of overloading the Christ mas tree. There is no danger of your being crushed under a weight of happiness.

Having given the state its Christmas presents it is fitting the legislature should take a day off and have a happy time at home. A Parenthetical Welcome,

Ring, Christmas bells! (That's uncle coming. Listen how he yells!) (That fiddle makes the old man shake his shoes!) O'er hills and rills!

(Uncle says whisky staves off all the chills.) O'er land and sea. (There's grandma dancing-lively as can be!) From Shore to shore! (There's Sallie's sweetheat standing in the

Ring high and low! (She's kissed him, and the girls are crying, "Oh!")

Uncle Sam makes the country a Christmas present of another cruiser. And this one can float. A Holiday Obituary.

This life that we're a-livin' still Is of a curious sort; Under this stone lies Colonel Gill,

Who always drank a quart. It is somewhat paradoxical, but-the

onshine still is getting pretty noisy. A Juvenile Humorist. "Git any presents this year, Jimmy?"
"No-only dad."

"An' what did he git?" "Lots! One man give him a bottle er whisky, an' 'nuther man give him thirty days!' We're all "green" when it comes to Christmas, and the little fellows are the

confidence men, Ducks are higher than usual this Christmas, but the days of the administration are drawing to a close.

It is the blast of the you may as well surrender! F. L. S.

EDITORIAL COMMENT.

From the recent annual report of the commissioner general of immigration it appears that 343,267 foreigners landed in the United States during the year ending June 30, 1896. Of this number there were sent back 2,010 paupers, 776 contract labor-ers and ten lunatics, making a total of 2,799 foreigners excluded. With respect to illiteracy there were 5,066 immigrants unable to write and 78,130 absolutely ignorant figures are sufficient in themselve to show the importance of some restrictive measure. The Lodge bill, which recently passed the senate, bears directly upon the subject of immigration, and is one of the most efficient measures enacte during the present session of congress.

Several months ago an observatory was erected on the summit of Mont Blanc, in Switzerland, for the purpose of foretelling the conditions of the weather. On acount of the success which has attended this experiment a similar edifice is being erected by Italian scientists on Mount Rosa. Queen Margherita, herself an ex-pert mountaineer, supports the project by a donation of \$830, the duke of Abruzzi gives \$1,000, and the Italian Alpine Club, the ministers in their private capacity, and the wiscal faculty of the University of Turin figure among its chief contributors. It is intended to utilize the hut or the Gniffetti peak, built three years ago as a shelter for climbers, and since visited by the queen, who bestowed her name on the modest structure. Situated at a height of about 14,000 feet above sea level, it will, as regards elevation, rank fourth among the twenty-seven mountain observatories of the world, being surpassed in altitude only by those of Arequipa, Mont Blane and Pike's Peak.

"The part paid by the Bank of Spain in floating the new foan destined to provide resources for the continuance of the ed that institution in a very awkward placed that institution in a very awkward position. For, in addition to the immense sizes which it has furnished to the government itself, it has advanced one way and another nearly \$40,000,000 to people who subscribed for the loan. The bank may therefore be said to have found the major portion of the money subscribed. Besides this, the bank is a creditor to the government under various heads to the extent of more than \$250,000. Inasmuch as the capital fully paid up of the bank as the capital fully paid up of the bank, together with its reserve fund, only amounts to \$30,000,000, it will readily be seen that the strain to which this, the leading financial institution in Spain, is being subjected is tremendous, and cannot be con-timued much longer before disaster ensues.

VANDERBILT IS NEARLY WELL

Has Almost Recovered but Will Never Return to Active Work. New York, December 24.—Cornelius Van-derbilt is rapidly recovering from the par-alytic stroke from which he suffered last

summer.

He is now able to use his right arm, which was most seriously affected, while the rest of his body is declared to be in almost normal condition again. Mentally, he is said to be as bright and clear as ever. He exercises a great deal and walks and rides at times when the weather in at times when the weather is not too un-

He will probably never attempt again to attend to business, at least so closely as he had done for years before his sharp warning that body and brain required rest.



De Chris'mus time done come ergin, an' I'se a hobblin' on, Jes' waitin' fur de summons when ole Gabriel blows de horn. Dese days ain't lac' de days we had, an' Chris'mus mighty slim When you sot it side de Chris'mus in de days uv Marster Jim. Seem lac' it happen'd yistiddy instid er fo' de wah, An' I kin shut my eyes an' see jes' what I uster saw. I hear dat bugle tootin'; Ole Isom done gin out Dat it's Chris'mus in de quarters-niggers better git erbout,

Here dev come, a scram'lin' to de big hous' mighty swif Kase dey gwineter see de white fo'ks an' kotch 'em Chris'mus gif'. Dat bull-neck Alick lead de gang, an' Godfrey clos' behin'; Fust come, fust sarved; de jug am full—jes' pass er down de line. Ole Marster come atrottin' out—his head done hist so high Twell you see de Chris'mus aignog fa'rly blazin' in his eye.

"Start dat music up dar, Ephram; fling dat banjo on yo' knee; Sing, 'De Yaller Rose er Texas Beats De Belle er Tennessee.' " Den ole Mistis trip out on de porch, timid lac' an' shy Ez a rabbit in de pea patch when de moon's a gittin' high. An' she sot dar kinder laffin', an' hummin' uv de tune, While de niggers cut de buzzard-lope an' dance de gray-raccoon; All a-shoutin', an' cavortin', an pashawin', jes de same Ez dem folks what's in de circus when de ban' plays-what-cher-name.

But dem days gone, Luncindy; an' de years am flyin' pas' Lac' a pestered drove uv pat'iges what's skeered up tum de grass. Chris'mus ain't no Chris'mus now, an' things am monstrous slim When you sot 'em side de doin's in de days uv Marster Jim. Who dat keep er callin'? I boun' I hearn er yell. Ef dat's de boys, dey's takin' on a pow'ful spreein' spell. Lis'en dar, Lucindy; dar's dat same soun' come ergin, Lac' sumpin' at de big road gate, an' axin' ter come in.

I hear de soun' uv hosses' huffs. Who's ridin' out ternight? De wedder's pow'ful breezy an' de moon am sca'ce uv light. Dar dev is, Lucindy: dev's knockin' at de do'! Fo' Gord; it's a white man dat I neber seed befo'! Sarvant, Marster! Yas, sah; my name is Uncle Ep Ole Marster call me dat fur short, an' udders tuk de lief Belonged to Mister Cranston? How come you ax me dat? Co'se I'se a Cranston nigger, fum de shoes up to de hat. Why, bress de Lord! Am dat de truf? Lucindy, dis am him! De dead done come ter life ergin-my little Marster Jim!

Sot yo'se'f afo' de fire. Lord, de glory hallelu!
Is dese here eyes a-seein' right? Young Marster, am dat you? Done bin up wid de yankee folks an' gittin' pow'ful rich? Dat what you say? In de kingdom-kum, I neber hearn er sich. Come back bekase you had a kinder hankerin' an' er grief Ter see de Souf an' sing ergin a song wid Uncle Eph? Hear all dat, Lucindy? How come you standin' dere Grinnin' lac' er 'possum wid yer mouf fum ear ter ear?

Fotched all dis truck fur me, you say? Young Marster, you's a sight! Jes' lac' dat ole man Santy Claus, what prowls on Chris'mus night. An' I 'low dat de Cranston blood is runnin' in yo' hide De same ez in Ole Marster's afo' he tuk an' died. Lucindy, bring dat banjo down. Dar's Chris'mus in my soul! Lac' dat good ole time rerligion what makes ole Jordan roll. An' it's bleeged ter come er spoutin'. Hist dat halleluja hymn; 'Kase dis day's lac' de Chris'mus in de days uv Marster Jim! -ALFRED C. NEWELL.

SOME SOUTHERN STORIES.

At Stanford the other day, in the tem At Stanford the other day, in the temporary absence of Circuit Judge Saufley, the circuit clerk adjourned court for one day in order to allow the sheriff and jailer to kill their hogs. When Judge Saufley remonstrated the clerk remarked: "Court can hold any time, but hog-killing spells are few and far between." The Stanford Interior-Journal, in explaining that the clerk's action is not without precedent, tells a good story: "The old constitution provided that the sheriff should with a provided that the sheriff should with a long-drawn-out announcement open and close courts. Judge Winse Bowman was holding his regular term, and in those days it was the duty of the sheriff to call the names of the witnesses and others wanted three times at the courthouse door. It was tax-collecting time, and Sheriff Napier was out gathering the tribute right and left. The judge sent for him to call some witnesses, and he falled to respond; another request and several more for his presence were disregarded, till finally the sheriff came. 'Why are you not here to attend were disregarded, till finally the sheriff came. 'Why are you not here to attend the court?' asked the irate judge. Because I am busy collecting taxes,' was the re-sponse. 'If you leave this room again I'll fine you,' said the judge. If that's your game,' retorted the sheriff, 'I'll adjourn your court; you are getting too big for your breeches, anyway,' and with the usual 'Oh, yez, oh, yez,' etc., he proceeded to do so. The judge had to submit, and Sheriff Napler went out to collect the eriff Napler went out to collect

A rare old curiosity is in temporary possession of the Kentucky Historical Society at Frankfort. It is thus described by The Frankfort Call: "It is a bugle made of two slabs of cedar about three-sixteenths of an inch in thickness and bent into a funnel-shaped horn. The bell or mouth is thirteen and one-half inches in circumference. It is hooped with cow-horn rings and iron bands. The bugle is the property of Mrs. Annie Mayhali, granddaughter of the late Captain Robert Collins, who was a soldier in the war of 1812-15. It was in the campaign of Colonel Richard M. Johnson and was at the death of Tecumsel.

Captain Collins was a bugler for the regi-ment, and this is the identical instrument he used during the war, and which ordered he used during the war, and which ordered the famouse charge of Colonel Johnson. Captain Collins was a mechanical genius, and with his own hands made the instru-ment. Every morning at sunrise he waked the neighborhood for miles around with his reveille call from the bugle, until his death

D. M. Orr, a citizen of Graves county. D. M. Orr, a citizen of Graves county, Kentucky, writes some interesting particulars of his family history to The Mayfield Mirror: "My great-grandfather lived to be one hundred and five years and five months old. Both of my grandfathers died in their eighty-first year, and my wife's grandfathers died in their eighty-first year. My father is still living, aged eighty-three years. I have had three uncles to die in the past five years in their eighty-first year. My father and four of his brothers and sisters married on the 29th day of and sisters married on the 20th day of the month. I have had four relatives killed in battle and one by the cars; had one aur. Ailled by being thrown from a horse; one "Mcle, his wife and five children died in five years."

A tramp printer was arrested at Ocala, Fla., Thursday night for having indulged too freely in whisky. When searched \$2,200 was found on his person. He says he is a high-art job printer, has traveled all over the world, and was the first to discover that the back of the head of the female cast on the silver dollar is a likeness of the head of the British lion, which cut an English engraver designed

Mr. R. M. Wright, of Elkin, N. C., a very old man, does not know a letter or note in the book. He cannot sing, or even raise and pitch a tune, yet when he sleeps he sings some very beautiful songs in a melodious voice:

ECHOES FROM THE PEOPLE.

Who knew that the Hobart boom started A Rome man has made this covery. The story he tells, which is an resting one, is set forth in the follow-

ing communication:

"Editor Constitution—Colonel J. W. Vreeland, of Paulding county, claims to be the originator of the Hobart boom in the United States, and all the evidence I can secure confirms his claim.

"Mr. Vreeland is an old resident of New Jersey, where he was a near neighbor and great personal admirer of the vice-pres dentelect. He always looked upon Mr. Hobart as one of the most brilliant and able men in the whole country. His father and the elder Mr. Hobart were very intimate friends.

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"Mr. Vreeland came to Georgia several years ago and purchased some valuable mineral lands in Paulding county, near Dallas. Here he has lived ever since, improving his lands. Since his wife d.ed, a few years ago, he has led a very quiet, reserved life, taking but little stock in public affairs and but little interest in politics. He was never ago, he has led a very quiet, reserved life, taking but little stock in public affairs and but little interest in politics. He was never a politiciam, though a strong republican in principle. When the republicans met in district convent. On at Dallas, on the 15th day of last March, he was present and was pressed into service by his friends. When the time came for instructing the delegates to Chicago for vice president, Mr. Vreeland remembered his old neighbor, Mr. Hobart, of New Jersey, and put him in nomination. It struck him at that time that there was no other man in the United States that could fit the place better than Mr. Hobart.

"His name had never been mentioned and when he nominated him Mr. Vreeland did not dream of the victory awaiting his choica. He knew Mr. Hobart to be a good man and nominated him. It seems that no one knew the nominated him.

He knew Mr. Hobart to be a good man and nominated him. It seems that no one knew the nominee, but Mr. Vreeland succeeded in securing a great part of the Georgia delegation for his man. The result is well

"Mr. Vreeland is very proud of the dis-tinction he has as the man who started the Hobart boom, not only in Georgia, but in the United States.
"WALTER HARPER.

"Rome, Ga., December 23, 1896 Where the Honor Belongs. In a local notice of the governor's signing an important bill passed by the legislature, a mistake as to the author was made. The following note from Dr. Comas explains the mistake, and carries with it the correction, which The Constitution is glad to make:

is glad to make:

Baxley, Ga., December 23, 1896.—Editor Constitution: In your issue of today occurs a notice of the governor's signing the bill protecting lawyers and doctors, in the course of which notice Senator Stewart is named as having introduced the bill in the senate. This is a mistake, I am the author of that measure, which I believe will prove of great benefit to the professions and much good to the state, financially and otherwise. I know that The Constitution will only be too giad to correct the error, and give "honor where honor is due." Respectfully, P. H. COMAS.

Tom Waitson's Contest.

Editor Constitution—Has Tom Watson's contest never been decided? I have noticed in the newspapers several references to the contest as pending. I had thought that it was settled. Please explain.

Savannah, December 23,1896.

The Watson case is still pending. It is not only before congress, but is just now acting as a bone of contention between Mr. Watson and Mr. Marion Butler, senator from North Carolina. Butler criticised Watson for pushing his contest; Watson comes back in characteristic vein at the gentleman from North Carolina, in whom, according to a recent editorial from his pen, the Georgian has been unable to find the truth. Mr. Watson shows that the contest has been pending since 1896, ever since shortly after the special election of October of that year, and that Butler's "descrition" of him is funny, to say the least.

The case is set for arly in January. is understood that republican leaders trying to induce Watson to make a spein his own behalf on the floor of congret if he does, they say there is a chance his being seated.

What Pops May Get. Editor Constitution-What is there in the report that republicans are going to help the populists out by giving them postofiles under the new administration? The popu-lists here are doing a good deal of talk on this line, and some say they saw this stated in The Constitution. Please state the truth of the rumor, if there is truth in it.

in it.

Augusta, Ga., December 24, 1896.
There seems to be some substance to the report of a close understanding between the republicans and populists in Georgia. It is known that populist leaders are interesting themselves actively in behalf of Joe Doyle, the first district republican, who has even formal notice of coses. lkcan, who has given formal notice of testing Congressman Loster's el-Leading populists in the legislature of after conference with Colonel Buck, the republican boss had promised that the should have postoffices. It is a fact Colonel Buck believes in playing to

Young Crisp as a Fisherman. From The Macon County Citizen. Congressman Charley Crisp and Solicite General Frank Hooper decided last week to have a big fishing frolic before entering their duties as congressman and so

They went down to Captain Seals's pond, near Americus, procured his fish boat and were about to embark, when o of them discovered the fish tank in it, les in the bottom of the boat.

That fish tank attachment was a rangled thing to our young congressman solicitor general, and they viewed it dire distrust.
"We'll bail the dang thing out!" excla Solicitor Frank.

"That's just what we'll do," chimed a Congressman Charley.
Getting buckets, they set to work like Cuban patriots, determined to dip the best Cuban patriots, determined to dip the best and tank dry before risking their precious carcases out on the water in it.

Bucketful after bucketful of water was dipped out and splashed back into the pool, as lower and lower sank the sun in movestern sky. Still on and on dipped gallant fishermen, Great drops of bring spiration rolled down their manly chemand they puffed and blowed like rolling porpoises, but they were good grit and determined not to be fooled out of their fairfolic by a small obstacle.

They were mad enough to break the third commandment, but being reminded that I would make the fish not bite, they refrains and dipped on at a livelier speed.

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The glorious orb of day sank behind the western horizon and night began to spreacher sable mantile over the scene, but the water in the tank remained exactly on level with the surface of the pond, as and on dipped the patient fishermen.

Just as they were about to conclude that the boat was hoodooed and utterly unsafe the fish tank. Then there were two very blank looking faces, and a congressman and solicitor general sneaked off to kick themselves.

Broke Up the Meeting. From The Talbotton New Ers.
Our colored people about here rented at empty store and made preparations on a large scale to have a good social time, but just as the crowd all got in, somebody atole the jug of liquor, and the fun brake up with loud talk and some cussing.

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"The Atlanta citizens have do for which I am now have some poople of Atlanta cated in Atlanta of Cuba's best from the contributions."

# WILL CARE FOR

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ARPER.

Dr. Diaz Organizes the White Cross in Atlanta-

TALKS FREELY OF HIS PLANS

Explains the Object of the Society and Talks of Cuba.

WILL MAKE ATLANTA HIS HOME

Next Week the Cuban Refugees Will Hold a Mass Meeting and Pay Tribute to the Memory of the Gallant General Antonio Maceo.

Rev. A. J. Diaz, the Cuban evangelist, has returned to Atlanta after an absence of several weeks in New York city, where he went in the cause of the insurgents. For the present Dr. Diaz will make this city his home, and he is living at No. 164

Washington street with his family. The mission of Dr. Dias in Atlanta at this time is to organize and put into operation the White Cross Society, an organization similar to the Red Cross Society, which has become international in its rep-utation and work under the management

The White Cross Society, which is for the purpose of caring for wounded Cubans, has been founded by Pr. Diaz, who has seen from observation and experience the great need of an organization of this character. On the field of Cuba he has seen wounded patriots and bleeding Spaniards suffering from want of medical attention and aid, and he has taken an active interest in the founding of the new society, which promises to be perpetual and inter-

can be made, Dr. Diaz will rent a suitable ling in the center of the city, where he will make the headquarters of the society, and where the medicines and surgical instruments will be kept until they are shipped into the interior of Cuba.

The society which has originated with Dr. Diaz is not confined alone to Cubans, but several prominent citizens of Atlanta have become interested and quite a number of druggists will probably be member of the new organization. The organization has been about completed, but the names of the officers and members have not yet eed by Dr. Diaz. This he will doubtless do within the next few days.

While in New York Dr. Diaz worked sarnestly for the cause of Cuba, and he was rendered much aid. The New York philanthropists quickly answered his appeal for help, and by their assistance he was enabled to make several shipments of medicines and surgical instruments to the Cuban hospitals. He decided, however, to make Atlanta the headquarters of the society for the United States, and with that aim in view, left New York last Monday, arriving in Atlanta Tuesday afternoon. Dr. Diaz has quite a lot of medicine at his home on Washington street, which he intends sending to Cuba at an early day. The shipments are made to the port from which a filibustering expedition is about to sail, and the medicines and instruments are received by the Cubans and stored in the vessel.

Dr. Diaz Talks of His Plans. Dr. Diaz was seen yesterday and asked for the details of the organization of the White Cross Society, which he has formed for the wounded soldiers in Cuba. He said the idea was original with him, but that the society would be very similar to the Red Cross Society, a branch of which is already in Havana and doing effective work

in the Spanish camps.
"I have organized the White Cross Society," said Dr. Diaz, "because the woundsoldiers of the insurgent army are not cared for properly. It is to secure medicines and surgical instruments that I have worked up the matter, and I have every son to believe that I will succeed even more than I at first expected.

"The Red Cross Society is already in exence in Havana, and many wounded miards are cared for by that organization. The Spanish soldiers who are wounded in battle, or who become ill from exposure, are taken into the hospitals and cared for and nursed until they become well. Now, it is intended for the White Cross Society to do for the wounded and suffering Cubans just what is being done for the Spaniards by the Red Cross So-

both in New York and Atlanta, and in fact everywhere, for I have had many letters from other cities showing that I will have no great difficulty in securing all that I will ask for. In the city of Havana I received \$6,000, the subscriptions coming from all classes of persons. My church in the city of Havana has contributed handely, and in addition to this, many Spaniards have given me money for the sootety. There are a few good Spaniards in Cuba-just a few, for the mapority of them are bad people and connot be trusted. But these few good Spaniards I refer to have aided me in my work and have made good

The Atlanta druggists and many other citizens have done me much good service, for which I am indeed very grateful. I now have some medicines on hand and expect to be given much more by the good people of Atlanta. One reason that I located in Atlanta is that the city is one of Cuta's best friends and I knew I would

These people charge nothing for their services, and all that the hospitals cost us is the price of the medicines and surgical instruments, which we either purchase or which are donated by friends of Cuba's

'We have made it a practice to care for all wounded Spaniards whom we find on the fields. We take them into our hospitals and care for them just as if they Cubans and were wounded in the battles which we are fighting for Cuba's freedom. Dr. Dlaz, who is a practicing physician as well as a doctor of divinity, has established an office at his residence and will practice in the city, giving especial atten-

tion to nervous diseases. In the meantime he will devote much of his time in securing contributions for the Cuban hospitals which are being operated under the new White Cross Society, which he has founded.

General Maceo's Memorial. Early next week the Cubans of the city will hold a mass meeting, to which their friends will be invited, for the purpose of passing resolutions condemning the manner of Maceo's betrayal and also for the

of the gallant chieftain. Arrangements are now being made for the meeting and suitable resolutions are being drafted for that purpose. The friends of the gallant fighter who lost his life battling for Cuban freedom will gather and pay tribute to him.

ROBSON AND JANAUSCHEK.

The Popular Actors Will Appear in Matinee at the Lyceum Today. Stuart Robson and Janauschek will open their engagement at the Lyceum this af-ternoon. They will appear in "Mrs Pon-derbury's Past," preceded by the one-act farce entitled "Mr. Gliman's Wedding." In order to accommodate the patrons of the theater Manager Sharp announces that the performance will not commence until 3 o'clock, so that those desiring to attend the matinee may have sufficient time to eat their Christmas dinners. The change will be appreciated by the public and it will insure a crowded house to see the star ac-

Mr. Robson and Janauschek have me with unbounded success this season and they have been greeted by spiendid audi-The two stars are dou ble drawing cards and each has sufficient strength and popularity to fill the theaters without the drawing power of the other. In their rendition of "Mrs. Ponderbury's Past" the actors have won and added new laurels to their already long list of suc cesses, and their entertainment comes with he highest recommendations. Mr. Robson and Janauschek will be at the Lyceum at matinee today and performance

conight and tomorrow night. The regular Saturday matinee will be dispensed with on account of today's matinee. In speaking of the attraction, an exchange says:

"The cleverness displayed by Matthew Ponderbury, when discovered by his wife celebrating with an ex-music hall singer, is one of few funny situations with which this great French comedy abounds. From dancing to somnambulism he makes a most marvelous change. No funnier comedy has been seen than this one which Stuart Robson brings us under the title of 'Mrs. Ponderbury's Past,' which name its English adaptor gave it. The strong dramatic role of Mrs. Ponderbury is assumed by Mme. Janauschek, the great tragedienne. As a pretace to this somewhat snart comedy, a one-act farce, entitled 'Mr. Gilman's Wedding,' is given." on account of today's matinee. In speak

A NEW LIGHT INSTRUMENT.

Cineomatagraph Will Be Seen with the Holmes and Wolford Company. The Holmes and Wolford Comedy Com-

all of next week and at popular prices, too. The company is said to be a good one.

The visit of the company will bring to Atlanta for the first time the cineomata graph, the latest thing in light displays. The instrument is said to surpass the vita-scope and other instruments of that character, and some beautiful pictures will be shown.
The instrument is said to display with

lightning like rapidity and great clearness some celebrated scenes of the big cities of the world and a special feature of the collection is an exhibit on of some photographic scenes taken on the occasion of the coronation of the Russian czar last sum

mer. Scenes on the Paris boulevard are also a feature of the entertainment.

The Vitascope and Vaudeville Company Give a Christmas Matinee. Atkinson's Jolitties, with the vitascope and vaudeville, will be the Christmas attraction at the Columbia theater. These continuous performances are becoming very popular and the replacing of the heretofore long waits between the acts by vaudeville and mod specialities is a pleasing feature of

and good specialties is a pleasing feature of the show.

Many new pictures have been shown with the v.tascope and the specialties, which are changed daily, are up to date and pleasing. Tonight the dramatic bill will be "The Lit-tle Heroine"

Matiness every day.

The management stated last night, from the stage, that \$30 would be given away Saturday night.

"Mc'Fee's Matrimonial Bureau." At the Grand last night "McAfee's Mat-rimonial Bureau," a farce comedy, was presented for the first time in this city, and made a pleasing impression. The two principal parts were played by John Fla-herty and Bob Conners, Irish comedians. They also did an amusing boxing special-ty. Miss Hazel Carleton, a clever soubrette ty. Miss Hazel Carleton, a clever soubrette, had the leading female role, and sustained the part well. She sang and danced in a pleasing manner. The company includes a number of pretty girls, who wear some fetching costumes and sing well.

The "Matrimonial Bureau" will be presented at a special Christmas matinee this afternoon and again tonight. It is an amusing comedy, and will, no doubt, attract large audiences. The engagement closes Saturday night.

John Griffith.

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Mr. John Griffith, a young tragic actor of real worth, is announced for the Grand next Monday and Tuesday, December 28th and 29th, presenting on Monday night only a magnificent production of Shakespeare's tragic idyl, "Richard III," which Mr. Griffith has this season added to his repertoire, and those lovers of the legitimate drama who attend will be treated to something new and original in conception. Mr. Griffith is conceded to be the greatest impersonator of Mephistopheles in Goethe's "Faust" on the American stage, and it is his ambit on to place his performance of the hunchback duke of Gloucester far above his impersonation of the Pr.nee of Darkness. The press of every town where he has appeared in the character have been unanimous in his praise and credit him with a superior performance of the part. "Mr. Gr. fflith belongs, through undisputed genius, to that class of actors who are known only when they are seen in a great character. In Richard he finds unlimited scope for his remarkable ability. His supporting company is spoken of in praiseworthy terms. The scenery requires a special car for its transportation, and is said to be the handsomest ever used in the tragedy.

On Tuesday, matinee and evening, Mr. Griffith will produce a spectacular version of "Faust."

At the Imperial. On Monday night the great Flagg's Female Minstrels and Burlesque Company open a one week's engagement at this popular house. This company has made a tremendous hit everywhere throughout its presentation of minstrel, burlesque and vaudeville.

Has Established Forty Hospitals.

Dr. Diaz stated yesterday that already great good had been the result of his labors to secure medical attention for the wounded Cubans.

"We have now on the island forty hospitals, eighty surgeons and physicians and in each hospital about twenty nurses.

"Brosentation of ministre, puriesque and vaudeville. Twenty or more artists, comprising the company, are reputed to be the very best in their respective specialties. Dorothy Clayton, England's queen of burlesque, heads this splendid company, which itself is a guarantee for a first-class performance.

Grand ballet, amazon marches, sparkling music and pretty girls will be found among the list of features.

HOW MACEO DIED

Dr. Maximo Zertucha Says General's Death Was Caused by Cubans.

LEADER WAS NOT SUPPORTED

Declares the Insurgents Opposed Him.

DEATH SCENE IS DESCRIBED BY SURGEON

Writer Asserts That He Loved the Dead Warrior and That Charges Are Unjust and Untrue.

New York, December 24.-Dr. Maximo Zertucha, during the life of General Antonlo Maceo attached to his staff as a surgeon, and after the death of Maceo accuse purpose of paying tribute to the memory of treachery in causing his betrayal into the hands of the Spanish troops, has written a letter to The Herald, in which he decribes the death of General Maceo and the causes leading up to it, as follows, with the premise that he owes it to himself to state how the event happened:

"Melinda del Sur, Cuba, December 19, 1896. Major General Antonio Maceo, at 8 o'clock p. m. December 4th, accompanied by part of his general staff, namely, Generals Miro and Diaz, Colonels Nodarse and Gordon, and Diaz, Colonels Nodarse and Gordon, Majors Piedra, Justiz, Ahumada and Pen-alver, Captain Sauvanel and myself, a surgeon of headquarters general, with four orderlies and Lieutenant Francisco Gomez Toro, crossed the military line between Mariel and Majana at the former point. At 9 o'clock the following morning we joined some twenty-five cavalrymen belonging to Colonel Sartorius's command at Mosqui-tos. On the 6th we started toward Bara-

"During our march some eighty men of Lieutenant Colonel Acosta's command were incorporated with our ranks. Together we went at 9 o'clock that night to the grazing farm—Potrero—of San Pedro, between Rincon and Govea. There we met the forces under Brigadier Sanchez and Colonel del Gado, numbering some 400 men, all cavalry. "It was 2 o'clock in the afternoon of the next day when word came to our camp that the enemy's forces were moving in our direction, following the trail. We prepared for the engagement. The left flank was commanded by the general of division, Pedro Diaz. The right was under the command of Colonel del Gado and Lieutenant Colonel Acosta. Brigadier Sanchez took command of the center. The fight took command of the center. The fight was under way when General Maceo, ac-companied by Brigadier Miro, his adjutant and myself started toward the battle-General Maceo moved forward to within 500 paces of a stone fence, behind which the enemy's infantry was intrenched. Brigadier Miro was to the right and I to the left of General Maceo. He raised his sword, and saying to Brigadier Miro, 'This goes well,' fell as if struck by lightning from the horse he was riding to the ground. A Mauser bullet had entered the right side of the chin, causing a fracture of the lower jaw in three places, coming out of the left lateral side at the base of the neck. The bullet in its course tore the carotid artery, bringing on a mortal hem-orrhage, which caused death in a minute. "The moment General Maceo was wound-

ed I called for assistance. A trooper came to my aid. He helped me with great bravery, under severe fire, to raise the bravery, under severe fire, to raise the body of my general. The trooper was at that moment wounded in the thigh. Bullets were pouring over my head, as I remained entrenched behind the general's horse, by the side of his body. At that moment I saw the son of Major General Mazimo Gomez before me. He had been wounded in the left shoulder during an engagement was head had. gagement we had had on December 3d be-tween Cayajabos and Colanos, His arm was in a sling. We raised the body of Maceo and placed it upon the horse. He took hold of the horse's bridle, while I held the general by the feet. Then we started toward a gate, which was the outlet to the enclosure we were in. Gomez was then struck by a bullet. He sank to the ground. went to his assistance and General Maceo's body fell from the horse. I begged ceo's body fell from the horse, I begged Gomez to let me carry him on horseback out of the place. Nothing would avail to persuade him. He would reply to every appeal: 'Let the general be carried out first; then I will go.'

"Then, almost chazed, I galloped on the "Then, almost chazed, I galloped on the general's horse toward our forces, which, owing to the incidents of the engagement, were at a fair distance off. I met the brave and honest Pedro Dlaz. Hearing what I had to say to him, and hastening to do his duty, was the work of an instant. The enemy had advanced. It was necessary to dislodge him, and then we recovered the bodies of General Maceo and L'eutenant Gomez. Had the latter died from the wounds he had received in the from the wounds he had received in the chest and arms? No, he was stabbed over the left side, near the breast. He had over his forehead also a machete wound which had divided his skull. The bodies had been stripped of their shoes, stockings, side-arms and jewelry. At 7 o'clock that night the bodies were taken to a shed on the grazing farm, and there I appeared before the commanding officers, who were igno-rant of General Macco's death. An affidarant of General Macco's death. An affida-vit of what had taken place was drawn up and sworn to, and, with other official documents of the case, was sent to Major General Maximo Gomez. After stating the facts as they occurred, I wish to speak about my humble personality.

"Who killed Antonio Macco? Who killed Loss Macco?" Who killed

"Who killed Antonio Maceo? Who killed Jose Maceo? Was it the enemy's bullets at El Gato and San Pedro? No; it was by a thousand times no. They were killed by order of the men of the council. They were killed through those who, having received money from the Spanish government, afterwards demanded places which did not belong to them. In the representations of the council of the representations of the council nothing. But they want to take places at the feast.

the feast.

"When we were out of ammunition, with no supplies at all, and we followed the enemy's trail in search of a cartridge; when we had no other hope or support than God, the government council, composed of Pina, Roloff and others, were holding back the forces under Jose Maceo and J. M. Rodriguez from coming to our aid. Why? Because of high political motives. What were those reasons? Not to tives. What were those reasons? Not to lend support. To allow the enemy to cap-ture the unarmed, ill and wounded mulatto, Maceo. I have wept over the death of h'm who was my friend—my brother, rather than my chief. I have heard from his lips than my chief. I have near irom his his desperate words uttered at the disloyalty of his own people. To whom he alluded I do not know. It is impossible to believe that General Maceo should thus have exposed himself to certain death by placing himself in a position so dangerous as the one he took, and especially as it was not strategical.

trateg'oal.
"No; Maceo, rather than struggle against

"No; Maceo, rather than struggle against certain elements, chose to die at his post, facing the enemy.

"P. S.—Upon the body of General Maceo, and in the presence of General Diaz, I swore that I would not serve under any other leader in the revolution.

"I am carrying out my oath I have gamed nothing by the revolution. I cannot travel for pleasure nor spend any money wrung from my country by blood and fire, as others supposed to be patriots are doing.

"I have nothing but a quiet conscience and the greatest disappointment a Cuban can have—namely, the idea that we are deserving of such government as we have always had.

"MAXIMO ZERTUCHA."

Insist on having just what you call for when you go to buy Hood's Barsaparilla, the One True Blood Purifier and nerve

ANTI-TRUST BILL IS SIGNED GOVERNOR ATKINSON HAS PUT

HIS NAME TO THIS ACT.

It Is Now a Law and All Trusts That Violate the Provisions Will Be Severely Dealt With.

Governor Atkinson has signed the anti-trust bill over which such a fight has been made during the time it was pending passage, and about which so much interest was created while it was before the governor awaiting his signature.

A hearing was had on the case last Thursday, in which those opposing the bill appeared and tried to show reason why Governor Atkinson should not sign the bill and thereby make it a law. The bill was signed, notwithstanding this hearing, and

The bill is primarily opposed to trusts, and makes it unlawful for any set of men or anyone to form a compact or to enter into an agreement whereby competition will be lessened or which lessens the growth It makes unlawful any act whereby the prices of the article will be controlled in

such a way that any one company or concern may demand the price it sees fit, and make all consumers pay the price asked by them or do without the desired article The bill provides that any corporation that shall violate any of the provisions of the bill shall thereby forfeit its charter and franchise, and its corporate existence

shall at that time cease. The bill further enacts that it shall be the duty of superior court judges to instruct grand juries as to the provisions of the act. A heavy penalty is fixed for the violation of this act, and the bill intends that those who violate its provisions shall be severely dealt with.

The signing of the bill definitely settles a question which has been talked of for some time, and takes from corporations the power which makes them trusts.

NORTHEASTERN BILL SIGNED GOVERNOR APPROVES THE MEAS URE FOR SALE OF ROAD.

He May Now Advertise the Property of the Boad and Sell It for Not Less Than \$287,000.

Governor Atkinson has approved the Northeastern railroad sale bill. The meas ure provides for the sale of the road after it has been advertised thirty days by the

The bill was originally introduced in the house of representatives by Mr. Armstrong of Wilkes county, and it was the subject of considerable discussion in that body The bill passed in its original form, but was reconsidered and again referred to the committee on raffroads, at the request of certain parties who opposed the proposed

After further considering the bill the committee presented a substitute measure hanging the terms on which the road is to be sold. As the bill finally passed and as it is now a law, the governor is authorized to advertise the road for sale for four

to advertise the road for sale for four weeks and can then put it up to bring not less than \$287,000, the value of the state's interest in the line.

The terms provided are that the pur-chaser pays \$50,000 cash and the balance in one, two, three, four and five years, in equal would navients. The securities are equal annual payments. The securities are to bear interest at the rate of 31/2 per cen per annum. The title of the road is to re-main with the state until all of the payments are made and at the expiration of the five years, or sooner, if all the purchase price is paid before, the governor may then transfer the state's rights and title in the road to the buyers.

to purchase the road to use it as a link in a line from Augusta to Chattanoga. The prospective purchasers are said to desire to build the line in a short time and the people in Augusta and Chattanooga and along the prospective line are watching the course of events in connection with the disposi-

MANY BILLS BEFORE GOVERNOR.

He Is Signing Them Every Day but Still Has Large Number to Read. A bill which prohibits fire insurance companies from doing business in this state, except through their local agents, was signed by Governor Atkirson yesterday af-

The bill was pushed through by insurance men, and will be to their interests now since it has become a law.

The governor signed a large number of bills yesterday and has before him now a large number of bills which are to be signed. He is kept busy all the time reading and signing bills and it will be sometime before he completes the cask

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NOW CAPTAIN BROWN

Lieutenant Brown, U. S. A., Receives a Promotion from War Department.

HE WILL REMAIN IN GEORGIA

Although It Was at One Time Feared That He Would Have To Return to His Regiment.

Staters army, who is now detailed here in Atlanta, has been promoted to a captain-cy. The promotion dates from December 11th, since which time he has ranked as captain of the First cavalry.

Captain Brown was detailed to this place about two years ago as assistant adjutant and inspector general of Georgia and ing in favor, not only among the military, but likewise with the people of the state, until now he is regarded as the most universally popular man in military life in

Captain Brown was appointed to a cadetship in West Point by Judge Bigby and entered the academy as a Georgia boy. He is related to some of the best families in the state and has always been identified with Georgia.

Captain Brown went through the academy with marked credit both to himself and his state, and upon graduation was as-signed to the First cavalry and entered upon active service upon the frontier. Captain Brown has served at military posts in the states of Oregon, California.



CAPTAIN OSCAR BROWN,

New Mexico, Minnesota and various other western states, and at the time of his detail to Georgia was located at Fort Bayard,

Captain Brown is considered the most popular man in the army, but possibly the monet distinguished honor ever conferred on him was his service at West Point Military academy for four years as instructor n cavalry and artillery, which came only a few years after graduation. The First cavalry has been Captain Brown's regiment ever since the day of

his graduation from West Point, and nat-urally he is strongly attached to it. His friends are fearful that the promotion to a captaincy will necessitate his leaving the state, as it is rarely ever the case that a captain is detailed, but if it becomes necseary Governor Atkinson and the entire military of Georgia will protest against Captain Brown's removal. Only about two years ago did Captain Brown come to Georgia from his post at Fort Bayard in New Mexico, yet in that short time he so thoroughly identified himself with the people of the state generally that his re-

appearance, of the most jovial manner and of singular commanding dignity, and since his detail here has become an important part of social life in Atlanta. Captain Brown's company is now stationed at Fort Riley, and should he be compelled to reenter service in the west the loss will be considerable, especially to the military of

A LADY WINS THE PRIZE.—The Hess guessing contest has closed, and Miss Beulah Field, of 244 South Pryor street, is the lucky one. N. Hess' Sons have had in their window for some time a pair of shoes, and the object of the guessing was to name exactly, or as near as possible, the number of pieces of which these shoes were made. Miss Field, on December 3th, at 4:20 p. m., registered her guess of 1,500, and on December 17th, 5:55 p. m., Dr. H. A. Norrell registered his guess of the same number.



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TODAY'S HORSE RACES.

Fourteen Entries for the Three Events at Piedmont Park

There are now quartered in the forestry building at the exposition grounds some of the best horses in the country. The imported stallion, Lord Henry, and his beautiful son, Joe Glore, are comfortably situated in the western portion of the building, while the content of the building, the content of the stalled the while in the eastern part is stabled the Charleston contingent, consisting of Miss Modred, Hands Off and Lady Teacher, Modred, Hands Off and Lady Teacher, while the many local horses are in different portions of the mammoth building.

The harness race will doubtless be the drawing card on the programme. Mr. George G. Stiles of Cartersville, has entered his black gelding, Black Pilot, 2:28. Mr. Bob Williams, of Athens, with the highly bred bay colt, Will Go. 2:23%, and P. D. Thornton's great three-year-old, Mc-Field, and this will undoubtedly be the betting event of the day.

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First race, purse \$50, five-eighths mile heats, running-R. L. Pittman enters Lord Henry and Joe Glore; Ed Scott enters Miss Modred and Lady Teacher; T. W. Jordan enters Harry Kelsor; Perry Berry enters Reilly and Lula T.
Second race, purse \$100, three minute class, trot and pace-P. D. Thornton enters McFleld, 2:21; George G. Stiles enters Black Pilot, 2:28; Robert Williams enters Will Go, 2:23.

Third race, purse \$50, one mile dash-R. L. Pittman enters Joe Glore and Lord Henry: Earnest L. Green enters Senator Haskell; Ed Scott enters Miss Modred and Hands Off; Perry Berry enters Lula T. and Reilly.

There are many others at the track and will participate later, as it seems to be their owners' desire to get a line on the foreign contingent before starting against them.

adaptability to a higher order of useful-ness, for he has installed an automatic restaurant in the present Berlin exposition on the penny-in-the-slot plan. A visitor at the fair said of this contrivance: "I found myself in a circular area in the center of which an automatic orchestra was playing. On the wall opposite the entry was a placard, stating that 150,000 pence has been taken during the first two months of probation alone. This I could quite be-lieve from the difficulty in obtaining a seat While waiting for a table I had leisure to notice that the building was in the form of a rotunda, on the circumference of which, under a spacious verandah, were placed the different machines to supply the requirements of the diners. The prices ranged from 2 cents for Belegte Brod, the Teutonic equivalent for a sandwich, to 25 cents for a hot dish straight from the kitchen. Little trays containing specimen dishes could be seen through a glass panel, and when the coin was inserted the tray descended to an aperture, and was thence taken out. I then inserted half a Wh.le waiting for a table I had leisure to thence taken out. I then inserted half a mark into a slot which promised an exmark into a slot which promised an ex-cellent mayonnaise salmon, a promise which was amply fulfilled. My next course was Viennese cutlets, which, on applica-tion of a mark, came up piping hot, and made me long to pitch my tent in Vienna. To accompany the confectionery which followed, at the price of ten pfennige, I took a smaller wine glass and drew some Madeira, which could not be considered dear at 30 pfennige. I finished the enter-tainment with a cup of excellent coffee, and never wish to have a better meal."

There are many others at the track and will participate later, as it seems to be their owners' desire to get a line on the foreign contingent before starting against them.

This mechanism has been utilized for the sale automatically of pretty nearly all sorts of confection and small toys, but a

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### SONGS AND SERMONS

Christmas Will Be Observed Today In Many Churches.

CHOIRS WILL SING CAROLS

Interesting Programmes Have Been Prepared and Special Music Arranged for the Day.

Christmas will be observed in several Atlanta churches today and appropriate services will be held, for which special music has been prepared by the choirs in which Christmas anthems and carols will be

At St. Lake's church the following programme will be observed today: Holy communion and sermon, 11 o'clock

service Processional hymn, "Christian, Awake." Introit, anthem, "Sing, O Heavens"—Lim-

per. Holy communion service. Complete setting-Monk. "It Came Upon the Midnight Hymn,

Offertorium anthem, "Lo, God Our God Is Come"-Battison Haynes. Eucharistic hymn, "And Now, O Father."
"Gloria in Excelsis"—Monk.
"Nunc Dimittis"—Bunnett, in F.

ssional hymn, 'Hark, the Herald At St. Philip's Cathedral.

An interesting programme has been announced by Dr. J. Norton Boyce, who will fully satisfied. The conductors will realize a neat sum from the fair and will be able to surprise the natives when they visit California next spring.

PRESENTS FOR FIRE FOREMEN. Messrs. Courtney and Haney, of No. 4

Engine House, Receive Gifts. Mr. G. C. Courtney, foreman of No. 3 hook and ladder company, and Mr. H. P. Haney, foreman of No. 4 engine company, were the recipients of presents given by the members of those companies at No. 4 engine house yesterday. The presentations

4 engine house yesterday. The presentations were happily made and the fire fighters greatly enjoyed the occasion.

Mr. Courtney was presented with a brass lamp, a very handsome one, and Mr. Haney was given a set of elegant China dishes. Both of the popular foremen appropriately thanked their men and several short sneeches were made. short speeches were made.
All of the firemen at No. 4 engine hous

All of the firemen at No. 4 engine nouse are happy by reason of the receipt of a box of fine cigars sent to each member of the two companies by Mr. Charles H. Willeox. Mr. Willeox was heartly thanked by the firemen and they were drinking to his health yesterday and smoking good Christmas cigars. Christmas cigars.

PRESENTS FOR THE CHILDREN. Kindergarten Association Does the Handsome Thing.

The two schools of the Free Kindergar ten Association held their Christmas exercises yesterday morning. One of the schools is situated at 215 Luckie street and the other is at 11 Hillhard street. The exercises at the former school began at 3:90 o'clock and the exercises at the latter began at 11:30

At both places large crowds were on hand to witness the exercises and to see the progress that the little children had made. After the programmes had been finished

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Kimball, Aragon and Marion Will Treat Their Guests Handsomely. Good Dinners at Residences.

Christmas dinners at the hotels today will be served on an elaborate scale. The several chers have exerted themselves in making their menues perfect and excellent dinners will be placed before the guests of all the hostelries.

The hotels have arranged their menue on handsome embossed cards and they are as pretty as any ever seen in the city. The menues contain everything necessary to make up a good dinner, and some extras have been entered by the managers as a special Christmas compliment to their guests. And there will be many elegant dinners

served at private residences and at some of the clubs. The greater part of the noon day hours will be spent around the tables and Atlantians will enjoy their usual Christmas dinner and then call on friends, go to the matinees, and pass the day in other pleasant ways.

Kimball's Christmas Dinner. Manager George W. Scoville, of the Kimball, made a special effort this year to please his Christmas Day patrons, and they

from what it was in November, 1796—different in uniform, in accouterments, in arms, and in drill; but is not a more steadfastly loyal body in 1896 than it was in 1796. Other regiments have been as brave and as loyal, and have fought as valiantly for the preservation of the country or the repelling of a foreign foe. Circumstances and time and history, however, have given this body particular fitness for recognition.

It is the oldest regiment in the regular army of the United States. The original First was established in June, 1794. This by subsequent consolidation, was merged into the present Third, so that it is in reality a decade more than a century old. On March 5, 1792, congress authorized the formal establishment of the regiment. It was then known as the infantry of the Third sublegion. The army was reorganized in November, 1798, when the infantry of the Third sublegion became the Third regiment of infantry.

This is the regiment which fought under "Madd" Anthony Wayne when he led his

ment of infantry.

This is the regiment which fought under "Mad" Anthony Wayne when he led his forces with impetuous ardor against the Indians of the northwestern border; which was so powerful a factor in the war of 1812; which passed a decade or more of its life in the great lakes region when the feeble garrisons along the inland seas were so sorely in need of its stanch aid; which was foremost in the long and trying camso sorely in need of its stance and, when was foremost in the long and trying campaign in Florida, where it maintained the splendid reputation as an Indian fighter, which it has kept for a century. It is the regiment which, when Texas would maintain her own definition of the boundary line between her and Mexico, was ordered to the southwest, where, through that spirited and picturesque campaign, it fought its way at Palo Alto, at Resaca de la Palma, at Monterey, at the siege and capture of Vera Cruz, then onward under Scott on that irresistible march straight to the citadel of the Mexican capital. After the brillian battle of Cherubusco, when the Third led the deciding charge, and when the colors of the regment were the first to be flung from the parapet of the

SCHOOLS ARE CLOSED

Christmas Holidays for School Children Began Yesterday at Noon.

AT THE GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL

Miss Gussie Gilbert Wins the Moore Medal; Miss Louise Dooly Is Second—The Programme.

The monoi children of Atlanta are now enjoying a well-earned vacation and the teachers are able to obtain a rest that s more than deserved. Yesterday morning at 12 o'clock every chool in the city closed and the children

went home to enjoy Christmas and a holfday of ten days' duration. The holiday to be received by the school children of Atlanta is not as long as it would have been had not the question of funds with which to run the schools been

so successfully settled by the city fathers. In most of the schools exercises of some sort were had yesterday morning just before closing. The most interesting and important exercises of all were those given by the Mallon Society of the Girls' High school, which took place in Browning hall at 10 o'clock.

The usual large audience was present yesterday to witness the entertainment and the young ladies were at their best The hall was beautifully decorated and was lighted with gas. Every shade had been

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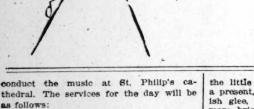












as follows: Holy communion at 7:30 a. m. Matins, 11 a, m.
Processional, "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear." Venite"-Gresorian Tone VI.

Te Deum, "Dadswell Christmas of '96," dedicated to the cathedral olergy—Benedictus. Creed-Merbecks, 1547-1625. Hymn 51, "Hark, the Herald Angels

Sermon by the Rt. Rev. Bishop Nelson. Holy Eucharist Tones service in F. Anthem, "Sing and Rejoice"-Barnby. Hymn 56.

Retrocessional 49. Evensong, 4:30. The church has been beautifully deco rated with ferns, cedar and holly. The day will be appropriately observed.

Church of the Incarnation. Christmas day, the great festival of the incarnation, will be this year an occasion of unusual interest to the people of the Church of the Incarnation, West End, and to all friends of that new and rapidly growing church. This will be their first Christmas in their new and beautiful church and under the care of a settled

The services of the day will, therefore be of a peculirly bright and joyful char-

Holy communion at 7:30 a. m. Holy communion with sermon by the rector, the Rev. Dr. Wyllys Rede, at 11 Evening service with sermon by the bishop of Georgia, the Rt. Rev. Cleland K. Nelson, D. D., at 4 p. m.

Special Christmas music will be rendered at the two later services. Other Churches Will Observe. In a number of the city churches appro te and interesting services will be held. At the Catholic church the following pro-

at 7 a. m., followed by prayer by Father Kennedy High mass at 10 a. m., followed by bene-

gramme will be observed:

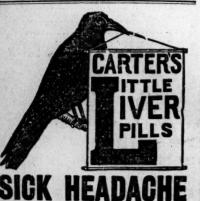
Services will be held at 11 o'clock this morning at Glenn Street Baptist church, and many of the city chirches will observe the day by holding divine services. CHRISTMAS EVE AT THE FAIR.

An Immense Crowd Was Present and All Enjoyed Themselves.

An immense crowd attended the conductor's fair last evening. The fact that it was Christmas eve only served to increase the crowd, many having attended for the purpose of purchasing their Christmas presents and others attending because they vere aware of the fact that it is a pleas ant place to spend an evening when one is in search of gayety and merriment. The dancing hall appeared to be particularly popular and at all times during the evening many young people were on the floor dancing as if they were treading on air and with hearts as light as if a sad moment had never come to their possors. The restaurant also was unusu popular last night and many of the Christ

mas shoppers dropped in to get their sup-per instead of going home.

The fair will close just one week from last night, that is on New Year's eve. So far the success of the undertaking has been marvelous and the management is



Positively cured by these Little Pills. They also relieve Distress from Pyspepsia, estion and Too Hearty Eating. A per-emedy for Dizziness, Nausea, Drowsi-

Bad Taste in the Mouth, Coated Tong han in the Side, TORPID LIVER. They quinto the Eowela. Purely Vegetable.

the little tots were each presented with a present, which they received with childish glee, and which served to make one more bright spot in the history of their

THE SUMMER BROOK FARM.

Settlement of Christian Socialists in the Adirondacks. Away up in the Adirondacks at one of the highest points where a hotel is to be found— 2.000 feet above the level of the sea-is a log camp devoted to the gatherings of a sum-mer community. Upon visiting this locality during the last season I was interested o find this little settlement. The houses are very striking in appearance, bearing a close resemblance to a Swiss chalet; their pretty curved roofs apparently quite mossy grown, says a writer in The Boston Transcript. The latter seemed marvelous at first knowing that the cottages had been recent ly built, when upon a nearer approach I discovered that the moss effect is produced by a well-selected green paint. The twenty acres on which the houses are located are owned by Miss M., of New York-the four der of the settlement—and are upon a small plateau jutting out from among the foothills of Mount Hurricane, commanding one of the finest mountain views of the Adiron acks. Mount Marcy, the h hest peak, th Giants and others being close at hand. This settlement is known as Summer Brook. It was started during the summer of 1895, and carried out somewhat on the plan of Brook farm, which had its begin-ning in 1836. Like the latter the members were all cultivated families. They met by invitation to spend the summer according to the methods of fraternal co-operation—working, walking, studying together. Two servants are employed at Summer Brook, and with that exception the members do all the work, which, equally divided does not require more than two hours a day of each one's time. The washing is done by the ladies, the men assisting at the wringers. The special work of the men, however, comprises what might be called the agricultural duties, caring

for the fields and gardens and picking ber-In the main house is a large entertainment hall, which is almost too vast and full of variety to describe. The floors are of hardwood, the fireplaces are suggestive of "ye olden t'mes;" much of the furni-ture has a rustic effect, as some of the pieces and doors have panels of rough birch bark. At the end of the hall, facing Mount Marcy, is an immense plate-glass window, affording the best possible opportunity of studying a gathering storm or the glories of a moonlight night. In common with the Brook farmers, the members of with their predecessors they believe in re

this settlement are large socialists, and organizing society on a new basis to reduce hours of toil so that all people will have hours of ton so that an people will have sufficient time for self-government. In the words of part of the constitution of Brook farm, they believe that humanity trained by these long centuries of suffering and struggle is at length prepared to enter into that order toward which it has per-petually moved; thus also it is perceived that the present has its own high mission, that its only salvation lies in reorganizing society according to the unchanging laws of human nature and of universal harmony. In these days of intense individualism th socialist must work out his own destiny, and as a spark of fire is produced by friction of matter with other similar matter, so the spark of eternal truth is frequently established by mind coming in contact with mind.

HORSE FOUND WITH THE THIEF. Negro Who Broke Into Express Office

at Millen Captured. Millen, Ga., December 24.—(Special.)— Town Marshal J. C. Flanders arrested to-day near Millen, John Williams, a negro, who stole at McBean, Ga., a mare belong-

ing to J. F. Hemming.
Williams broke into the express office at the same place and stole some clothes. The mare was found in possession of the thief, who confessed his guilt. The clothes could not be recovered. Add Masons Elect Officers.

Adel Masons Elect Officers.

Adel, Ga. December 24.—(Special.)—At the regular meticr of the Masonic Lodge No. 310, Adel Ga., last night, the following officers were elected: W. E. Hall, W. M.; M. McCormice, S. W.; J. L. Hester, J. W.; W. L. McKinnon, Sec.; Rev. J. M. Gregory, S. D.; S. P. Williams, J. D.; J. T. Wilks, Tres.; William M. Gidden, S. S.; J. H. Hutchison, J. S.; J. A. J. Parish, T. W. L. McKinnon, the retiring worshipful master, has held the office for eight years, during which time the lodge has grown to be one of the best in the state.

The Welsh are believed to be the descendants of the Cymry. The name Welsh is supposed to be derived from the Celt word signifying strangers or foreigners. The Welsh language and that of Britiany is so nearly identical that the Welsh regiments in the duke of Wellington's army found, to their astonishment, that they could understand the natives of Brittany.

will have the privilege of selecting their meal from the following elegant menu: Blue Points Green Turtle, aux Quenelles

Hors D'Oeuvres Celery Salted Almonds Olives Poisson Kennebec Salmon, en Wine Blanche Caviar on Toast Releve Tete de Veau, a la Financiere

Filet de Boeuf, a la Imperial Ris de Veau, en Calese, a la Savoy Croquettes, de Dindon, a la Richell Rotis Ribs of Western Beef, au Jus Young Tennessee Turkey, with Dressing Cranberry Sauce Punch, au Benedictine

Mallard Duck Roti, with Cherries Haunch of Venison, with Jelly Salades
Lettuce Chicken Cold Asparagus Boned Turkey, Aspic Jelly Legumes
Mashed Potatoes Beets

Boiled Potatoes Mashe Candled Yams Green Peas Stewed Tomatoes String Beans Steamed Rice English Plum Pudd ng, Hard and Brandy Sauce
lince Pie P. neapple Meringue Pie
Assorted Fancy Cakes

Gateau de Fruit, a la Anglaise Petit Fours Charlotte Russe Gelee's Panschee's au Rhum Creme de la Vanile Glace lits Nuts Figs Raisins Swiss Edam Roquefort After Dinner Cheese

Water Crackers The Aragon's Menu. Mr. James E. Hickey, manager of the Aragon, will please his guests by present-ing them with the following excellent card to order from:

Salted Peanuts Terrapin Clear Consomme, a la Royal Pickled Walnuts Lobster, a la Newburg Brofled St. John's River Shad, a la Maitre D'Hotel

Parisienne Potatoes
Celery Pin Money Pickles Sliced Tomatoe Young Turkey with Chestnut Dressing,
Cramberry Jelly
Mashed Potatoes Green Kidney Beans
Filet Mignons, Bearnaise Sauce Zinfandel
Candied Sweet Potatoes Asparagus
Fried Chicken, Southern Style
Green Peas
Sweet Bread Pique a le St. Cloud

Sweet Bread Pique, a la St. Cloud Frozen Eggmogg
Ruffled Grouse, English Bread Sauce
Redhead Duck with Guava Jelly Lettuce en Mayonnaise English Plum Pudding, Hard and Brandy

Aragon Mincemeat Pie Orange Meringue Pie Floating Island Tutti Frutti Ice Cream Fancy Cake Nuts and Raisins Figs Mir Roquefort and Neufchatel Cheese Mint Wafer

Toasted Cracker Coffee. At the Hotel Marion.

Manager Hollingsworth, of the Hotel Marion, presents this menu for today:
Mock Turtle Soup Consomme Royal
Olives Celery Pickles
Broiled Pompano, Maitre 'de Hotel
String Potatoes
Bolled Ox Torgue Plausert Saves Bolled Ox Tongue, Piquant Sauce Roast Prime Ribs of Western Beef au Jus Roast Young Turkey, Oyster Dressing,

Cranberry Sauce
Tenderion of Beef, Larded with Mushrooms
Devilled Crabs, Creole Style Spanish Puffs, Brandy Sauce Mashed Potatoes Bak
Cauliflower in Cream
Mashed Turnips Boile Baked Sweets Boiled Rice

English Plum Pudding, Hard and Brandy Sauce Mince Pie Coccanint Custard Pie Mince Pie Cocoanut Custard Pie
Orange Jelly Slices
Sancy Cake
Mixed Nuts
Crackers and Cheese
Coffee Mik Buttermilk

The Third United States Infantry Has Reached This Distinction. From The New York Sun.
The Third regiment of infantry in the regular army celebrates this month the one hundredth anniversary of its establishment. The anniversary is observed at the home of the regiment at Fort Snelling, on the Mississippi river, at the head of navigation, hard by the cities of Minneapolis and St. Paul. It is the garrison of this old and historic fort. The Third passes its century milestone a far different body

ONE HUNDRED YEARS OLD.

which floated the flag of its nation. So onward the regiment fought, depleted many times by death and disease, its veins steadily filling again with the best blood of

the nation, fighting against the Navajos and the Apaches in all the exciting Indian campaigns from 1840 to 1860, until, when the elements of the greatest civil war of his-tory were a-mixing, it was ordered to the north from its long service on the soil of the south. Passng through San Antonio, Tex., it was suggested that the regiment march around, rather than through, the principal streets of the southern city, where the sympathy with the cause of the south was so pronounced. A council of the officers of the regiment was called, and it was unanimously decided that it would never do for the oldest regiment in the army—a regiment which had never been in the habit of traveling roundabout when the main travel road was open—it would never do for such a regiment to change its never do for such a regiment to change its policy under such conditions; so, dressed for the occasion in full uniform, with, as a writer of the day said, "the regimental colors flying, the band playing, and every man and officer as fine as brass and bullion could make him," the old Third marched onward through the streets of the southers

city to take its place in the great conflict impending. Three companies of the regiment, A. F. and I, were captured by the enemy in the earlier part of the war in Florida. Their reputation was well known in the south, and it was generally conceded that it was one of the best drilled and most important military bodies on the continent, so every effort was made to induce the members of these companies to renounce allegiance to the general government and take up the cause of the south. The members of the companies received offers to become officers in the southern army, and no doubt there were few of them who were not far better fitted for high places than a very large number of the volunteer soldiers, north or south. But the captured companies remained steadfastly loval to the gov

ernment, and, after exchange, joined their regiment in the north and fought on hrough the campaign. From the outset of the civil war the Third was in the heat of battle. It won its first recognition at the first opportunity which presented itself, when it showed its quali-ties by its masterly covering the flight of the army at the first battle of Bull Run Lieutenant J. H. McRea, of the Third, the istorian of the regiment, says of the regment at this first battle of Bull Run "Its gallant conduct in this, the first great battle of the war, its unflinching steadfast

ness and perfect order in covering the flight of the panic-stricken army, was but a presage of that which was to distinguish it throughout the war."

Many times during the civil war the fighting qualities of the Third were called into play. It took part in twenty-one bat-tles and sieges, losing in killed, wounded and missing 267 men. After it led the column at the close of the war in that last grand review before the president in the city of Washington, chosen from all the forces for this high honor, it once m became a frontier regiment, and since that time it has been engaged in important Inlian campaigns in the west and southwe aiding, too, in the suppression of the Penn-sylvania riots in 1877, and at other times in putting down riots in various parts of the country. It was honored by having a prominent part assigned it at the dedica-

tory exercises of the Columbian exposit at Chicago.

In 1883 the Third went into garrison at Fort Snelling, located at a strategic point on the upper Mississippi, commanding several thousands of miles of Indian territory and within a tewive-hour ride of Chicago and other western cities in the Mississippi valley.

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Some of its commanders have been prominent in the military and civil life of the nation—such men as General Zachary Taylor, afterwards president of the United States; General Anthony Wayne, Major Charles K. Gardner, author of the system by which companies are designated by letters of the alphabet; Colonel Leavenworth, who selected the present site of Fort Leavenworth and was a leading military figure; Colonel Benjamin S. E. Bonneville, whose life and adventures Irving has described. From the regimental officers who served in the war with Mexico, six major generals of volunteers were contributed to the federal armies of the civil war, and one major general and one brigadier general to the southern forces.

The regimental life of this historic body is not now so full of stirring events as in the days of battle, but the regiment is by no means leading an idle life. The post duties are full of education. There are practical military maneuvers, occasional barobes overland to put in practice the arts of war, long summer days spent in camp. These and the carefully kept up drills, and study, and lectures and the like give to the present members of the regiment opportunities for such advancement

drills, and study, and lectures and the like give to the present members of the regiment opportunities for such advancement as were not possible in the days when it was campaigning in Mexico, or sweltering in the swamps of Florids, or fighting red men on the frontier, or battling with undaunted courage through the most terrible civil war of history.

old convent, the regiment was one of the first to march into the conquered city over which floated the flag of its nation.

So onward the regiment fought, depleted many times by death and disease, its velns are that has seldom been excelled by previous ones of the kind. At this meeting of the society the important question of medal was settled and the winner of this beautiful gift named.

The contest had been participated in by fifty-six young ladies of the High school

and they felt the deepest interest in the re-sult of the decision of the judges who had suit of the decision of the judges who had been appointed to decide which out of the large number was the best.

The programme began sharply at 10 o'clock by the president of the society calling the meeting to order and making a few preliminary remarks.

The programme was as follows: Music, Mandolin-Guitar orchestra—Maud Menko, Nannie Woodward, Lucy Hines, Susie Hills, Augusta Garrett, Josie Brin-"Christmas Greeting," original poem, written by Bessie Danton, recited by Ada Dittler, third and first grades, business

epartment. Cornet solo, "The Star"- Almee Cohen, irst grade, business department, Recitation, "His Exhibition Speech"— Nellie Dozler, second grade B. Music, "My Heart's in the Highlands"—

Nellie Battle, Mamie Tolbert, Louise Doo-ley, Mabel Wright.

Recitation, "A Basket of Flowers"—Manie Tolbert, third grade, business depart-Whistling solo—Susie Hills, fourth grade. Orchestra—"I'se Gwine Back to Dixie." After the rendition of this excellent

After the rendition of this excellent programme came the delivery of the Moore medal by Mr. F. H. Richardson, who was introduced by Mayor King. The mayor made a neat address introducing Mr. Richardson and was loudly applauded.

Mr. Richardson made a speech that was peculiarly appropriate to the occasion and when he announced that Miss Gussie Gilbert was awarded the medal Browning hall was shaken by applause as it has been shakn only few times in its history. Miss Gilbert was called to the stage and amid Hibert was called to the stage and Gilbert was called to the stage and amid even greater applause was presented with the medal. The judges who decided which was the best composition out of the fifty-six submitted were Judge J. A. Anderson, Arnold Broyles, Gordon Stein, Orth Stein and W. L. Scruggs. Miss Louise Dooly, whose composition was next heat was hon-

whose composition was next best, was hon-orably mentioned and congratulated on the ellence of her composition. FOR RENT-Houses, Cottages, Etc.,

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LOST—Six mules strayed from us on night of December 21st. Return to us and get reward. Stewart & Bowden, 20 W. Alabama street, Atlants, Ga. dec23-3t LOST-Morocco memorandum book with lot registration Jersey cattle papers and other memoranda; also had new one dollar bill, latest issue, in it. Will pay 34 for return to W. J. Montgomery, 23% W. Alabama street, dec20-7t

REAL ESTATE FOR SALE

GASOLINE PURE GASOLINE and headlight oil from Standard Oil Company in Eve-gallon quantities delivered free in any part of the city on short notice; drop a nostal or telephone 1508. H. D. Harris

day we may have it tomorrow. Our stock of diamonds is comyou are going to buy.

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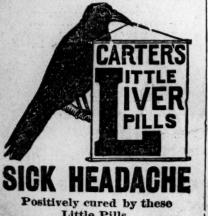
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MANUFACTURERS ATTENTION—I have a large three-story brick building, two stores below, two large halls above, conveniently located to depots, and admirably suited for small manufacturing enterpress, which I will lease for one year, or longer term, at very reasonable rate. Address Judge Van Epps. 831 Equitable building.

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## OFFICES CLOSED FOR CHRISTMAS

All the State, County and City Officials Will Observe It.

CAPITOL WILL BE DESERTED

COURTS ALL STOP THEIR DAILY GRIND Officials Will Lay Aside Their Office Routine.

Christmas will be observed today in all the public departments. All of the state, county and court officials will desert their offices for the day and will spend the coliday of holidays in various ways. Some will be with their families, others will be with relatives and friends in the country and some will be out hunting. Anyway, all the departments will be closed and public business will be suspended. It will be a busy day for the police. An

extra force of officers will be employed and all the too enthusiastic celebrants will In the State Capitol.

The statehouse will be one of the quiet-est spots on earth today and with the exception of the offices of the governor and the comptroller general, no one will be stirring. The other statehouse officers live out of the city and will spend their Christmas at their respective homes with their families.

Governor Atkinson will go to his office this morning to attend to his official duties which will consist principally of reading and signing bills. At dinner time he will return to the mansion, where he will par-ticipate in a feast surrounded by his entire family.

Secretary of State Candler will spend Christmas at his home in Gainesville. Christmas in this town will be a quiet one and nothing exciting will happen to break

nptroller General Wright will be at his office as usual this morning and will eat dinner at his Peachtree street home with his family and a few friends.

Forks.

for all.

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day. If

CO.,

Treasurer Speer will also be at his residence in this city and will spend a quiet Christmas at his home.

Attorney General Terrell will be at his home in Greenville and will eat a hearty

Principal Keeper of the Penitentiary Tur-ner will dine in his beautiful residence in the old town of Eatonton and will be sur-rounded by scenes that are calculated to

State School Commissioner Glenn will be at his home in Macon and will spend a pleas-ant day with his family. The members of the state railroad commission will spend the day at their various homes.

In Uncle Sam's Building. Christmas day today will be a busy one at the custom house, especially in the post-office department, where there is an unusually large amount of work for those who are employed in this department. are employed in this department.

Though the day will be a busy one, Post-master Fox will find time to go home and

eat dinner with his family.

Weather Forecaster Marbury will be at his office in the morning, but will do little work. He will spend a quiet day at

Marshal Dunlap will let Christmas be a dull day at his office, and at home with his friends and family will thoroughly en-

will be at Douglasville and eat dinner with heir families and a few friends.

Judge Newman will stay in Atlanta and

be at his home all day. Clerk Fuller will be found at his old stand ng, but the doors of his shop wil be closed, and at dinner time he will be seen going home to eat with his family.

Colonel Terrell, superintendent of the railway mail service, will spend a quiet Christmas at home.

Christmas in the Courts.

Christmas festivities and recreations will not pass the courthouse without leaving their impress, and every department of the court of their impress, and every department will be closed during Christmas Day and but lit-tle business of either civil or criminal na-ture will be transacted until after the holion has passed and the new year is The clerk's office will be closed for the

day, and all of the clerks and bookkeepers and copylsts will be given the day to spend as they desire. Judge Tanner will spend the day at his home with his family. This has been his custom for years and he will not vary from the rule this year. Mr. Arch Harrison will be Santa Claus at his home, and he has been busy several days making his Christmas purchases. Christmas eve finds him loaded down with toys and gifts, and he will remain at home and eat turkey Christmas Day. No one of the clerk's office has made any special arments for the observance of the day, but they will all take the day off and rest from the work.

Judge John D. Berry will take a recess

Judge John D. Berry will take a recess during the holid-s and the second division of the city court has already adjourned until after the first of the new year. Judge Berry will probably spend Christmas Day in Newnan, his old home, returning after the holidays to resume his duties on the banch.

Judge Reid expects his daughters home and he will spend the day with his family at his home. His court adjourned yester-day, and will not be in session until Jan-

Christmas will bring a needed rest to adge Lumpkin, of the superior court. Higation during the fall and winter has been very heavy and the days of the term have been crowded with tedious and pains-taking trials. He has listened for hours to every conceivable description of evi-dence and argument and at the close of the term and the zenith of the holidays he will find rest and recreation from the duties of the beach that will be enjoyable in themselves were it not for the other things that come with Christmas and Santa Claus. Judge Candler will celebrate his first Christmas as judge of the Stone Mountain Christmas as judge of the Stone Mountain circuit, and he will spend the day quietly at his home. Since his appointment to the

at his home. Since his appointment to the bench he has been very busy, having tried several hundred criminal cases, including a store or two of murder cases.

"For many years I have spent Christmas Day at home with all the members of my family," says Judge Calhoun, "and this year will be no exception to the rule, which I have kept so long. I generally have a turkey dinner and a reunion of the family, and this brings much pleasure and happiness to me and those who participate in the occasion."

Sheriff Barn's and his office of deputies and clerks will spend the day quietly. They

sheriff Barn's and his omce of ceputies and clerks will spend the day quietly. They have been very busy for the past three or four weeks arranging their office so as to turn it over to Dr. Nelms on the first of the new year, and the day will bring them a rest which they are greatly in need of. Christmas Day the courthouse will be deserted, with the exception of the watchmat, who will listen to the blowing of horns and shooting of fire crackers and wish he was a boy again in the full enjoyment of childish pleasures and joys. The City Hall's Holiday.

Everything around the city hall yesterday wore a cheery Christmas glow; the officers ill walked about their various depart-

ments with a suavity of manner which seemed to indicate that each one had an idea that in his Christmas stocking there was something out of the ordinary.

There is something about Christmas that is akin to the graceful climaxes in comic opera, as Shakespeare has already said, the whole world is a stage and the people are all actors, and at the end of each year every man reaches the climax of his twelve months' work, and be it poor or excellent, he bows out with more or less grace of manner and smiles of countenance.

The mayor was probably in the best humor or all, for he had been wined and dined with Mr. Bryan until he was overflowing with good feeling, which is almost always the product of good cheer. "How am I going to spend Christmas?" said the mayor, on being questioned specifically about his programme for the festivities. "Well, let me see. You know I am so accustomed to running on schedule that when a holiday roils around unless my pians are mapped out I jostle around from pillar to post until I have no pleasure whatever. "You see. I keep this little book in which to post until I have no pleasure whatever.
"You see, I keep this litle book in which I note down all my engagements, and the first thing I do before starting out in the morning is to look over my schedule and

see exactly what my plans are.
"Now, on Christmas Day I will spend the morning making fun for the little ones, and when this is completed I will begin the rounds of the usual Christmas feasting. This will take me through the day and when night comes—well, I don't believe I can tell you exactly what my plans are, for Mrs. King might see them in the paper and break them up."

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In the various departments it is expected that on Christmas morning each man will come dressed up, with a free joke on hand for the boys and a couple of good cigars in his pocket. They will all meet, or rather fall together, in some of the rooms and there have a good, old-time Christmas experience meeting. Good, bortherly feeling mingled with the wit that comes from a strong Christmas toddy and stimulated by the odor of a fine cigar will be the real feast of many of the city officials. NOTES OF SOCIETY.

### Christmas on a Poster.

The rosy children with flaxen hair Slept in their beds so blue,

And a little green mouse ran round the And the shrimp pink clock struck two.

The red snow covered the nurple earth. When suddenly one might hear The scurrying sleigh of Santa Claus And the hoofs of his blue reindeer.

Down the chimney the mauve saint came, Bearing his load of toys,
And he looked with his kind magenta eyes On the gently slumbering boys.

Then a look of horror came on his face, And a red light shone in his eyes.
"What sort of poster children are these?"
He muttered. "They harmonize!"

Too true, too true! Their beds of blue, And the rosy and flaxen boys
Were too pretty by far for a poster saint To leave them any toys!

They woke as he spoke, and with sudden One screamed till his face was black, And purple the other's. So pleased the saint

That he left them all of his pack!

No happier scenes can be imagined in the most luxurious Atlanta homes than those witnessed yesterday in the Christmas cele-bration of the free kindergarten school. The one on Luckie street and the other, recently organized by the Woman's Club, and successfully in progress on Hilliard street, were filled yesterday morning with the happy little pupils, and many enthusi-

astic patronesses and guests. The exercises were very interesting, and indicated the remarkable progress on the part of the children. Those ladies who have become familiar with the little children individually, in their visit to the kin-dergarten, tell many incidents of the im-provement they daily see in many of them. and the members of the association has

cause to feel pride and pleasure in the good work being accomplished. The Christmas trees at which the children were entertained yesterday were loaded down with "goodies." and each little pupil carried away something that will make them happy tomorrow, and make them know of the goodness of the "pretty ladles," as they call them, who unselfishly devote themselves to the wellfare of others. An impressive incident of yesterday was

visit made to the free kindergarten by Miss Allen's kindergarten, made up of a number of little children residing on the north side. They had been told that as an act of self-denial each pupil might take that toy dearest to them and give it to some pupil of the free kindergarten. Accordingly the pupils, clothed in warm cloaks and bonnets, that denoted their luxurious homes, and armed with some favored toy, went in a body with M.ss Allen and witnessing the exercises well carried out by the free kin-dergarten, presented their offerings to their less fortunate, but as happy, little friends

of the vicinity of Hill ard street. The mothers of many of the children were present, and the pleasure expressed by them in seeing the success of the advantages accorded their little ones, must have been a source of gratification to the adies interesting themselves in the kindergarten work. An effort will be made soon to establish "meetings for the mothers," enabling them to come together and scuss their mutual interests and those of their children.

The closing exercises of Miss Walsh's kindergarten took place Wednesday at Miss Cheney's school, and manifested the successful training of the many little chilren there. Their Christmas tree was hung with articles made by the children them elves, and indicate remarkable workmanthe part of many of the children programme unusually entertaining.

The Christmas number of The Autocrat is out and it is a highly creditable number. It is unusually rich in the matter of conents. It embraces the following:

"Music North and South"—D. Higbee.
"Hereditary Immunity"—Leslie E. Keely.
"The Answer"—Greenwood Hardy. "Visit to the Pope"—May Kenny.
"Chrysanthemums in December"—Alice

"The Little Gray Cloak"-Patience B. Strong.
"A Parable"—D. Higbee.
"Tis a Wise Son"—Benton Neal Thorn-

"People Who Write."-D. Higbee.

"Negro Shouting Song"-Mrs. H. S. Bar-

An Atlanta young lady, returning from New York, tells a very interesting story of the success and good fortune there of Miss Mary Louise Huntley. On arriving in New York she had but few acquaintances, and her first morning there she applied for a position to Miss Cynthia Westover, then editing the woman's department of one of the largest New York papers.

There were a number of applicants and

that morning, among other assignments given, was one to Miss Huntley-to inves-tigate the "undertakers' strike," that was at the time going on. Unruffled by her cheerless subject, Miss Huntley, an utter stranger in New York, started out on her meral mission. She sought out all the unertaking establishments from the highest to the lowliest. She especially devoted

to the lowliest. She especially devoted herself to interviews with the women undertakers and those learning the cheering occupation of embalming, etc.

She became so deeply interested that it was quite 6 o'clock in the evening before she returned to Miss Westover. "What do you know?" was asked of the Georgia giri. "So much," she replied, "I can't tell it to you: I'll have to write it down." she became so deeply interested that it was quite 6 o'clock in the evening before she returned to Miss Westover. "What do you know?" was asked of the Georgia giri. "So much," she replied, "I can't tell it to you; I'll have to write it down."

Miss Huntley then wrote of her day's

Santa Claus Will Visit the Charitable In- Atlanta Lodge Installs Officers and Then stitutions Today. Banquets Them.

MANY STOCKINGS TO BE FILLED ALL THE OFFICERS INSTALLED

Orphans and Waifs Will Be Ren bered Today and Many Articles Will Be Distributed.

Santa Claus will visit the charity halls, orphans' homes and charitable institutions today and will make glad the hearts of hundreds of children whose lives have been darkened by sorrow and death. Into the kindergartens, the gospel missions and the homes for the unfortunate old Santa Claus will announce himself with high transport of the control with a blast from his horn and the merry ringing of his sleighbells, and many little children will be out of their coay beds at children will be out of their cozy beds at an early hour this morning to see what their tiny stockings contain.

At the Home for the Friendless a Christ-

mas dinner will be served today to the in-mates, and many pleasant surprises are in store for the children who make that in-stitution their home. The ladies have arranged many presents and happy reminders of the holidays which will be given the children, and this Christmas will be especially bright and joyous to them.

The doors of the Central Union mission will be open today to Atlanta's unfortunates, and many persons who do not know

the pleasures and comforts of home will be received into the mission and made happy. The young men wno are at the head of the mission will be at the hall, and will receive their Christmas callers. Social religious services will be held at the mission today, and a number of articles will

needy.

Bright-faced, happy, joyous children will gather at the Marietta Street mission this morning. Children who have no Santa Claus at home will be made happy at the mission, and will be entertained during the In nearly every institution in the city of

a charitable character special arrangements will be made, and this Christmas will bring happiness and pleasure to several thousand children who would otherwise have been

A number of the city missions have arranged to send out wagons during the day, which will be loaded down with the good things of Christmas. The articles will be sent to the poor of the city, and among the contents of the wagons will be wood coal, flour, meal and meats, besides the dainties and fruits that will be contrib-

experience. The article proved so highly satisfactory in its accurate, yet sensationa details, Miss Huntley was at once engaged making a enviable reputation as her as

Miss Huntley was born and raised in La-Grange, Ga., and began her literary work as a writer of short stories and poems. Coming to Atlanta several years ago, she became associated with the woman's department of The Evening Journal, and only left for New York early in the fall. She is possessed of unusual ability and seems to have the essential pluck and energy required in the successful newspaper woman.

Misses Jessie and Nellie Reed, Adelaide Howell, Belle Scott, Annie Fitten, Emma Lowndes are at home from the Lucy Cobb institute for the holidays.

Mrs. George Westmoreland has as her guest Mrs. George Manley Smith, of Green-

Miss Florence Field is spending the Christmas holidays in Alabama. Miss Fannie Rich, who has been studying at the Peabody institute in Nashville, has returned home for the holidays.

Miss Margaret Badger has returned from a visit to Athens.

A number of informal dinner parties will Covington, Ga., December 24.-(Special.)-Cards are out announcing the marriage of Miss Mary Magnolia Swords to Mr. J. L. Elliott at the home of the bride's father. Mr. George W. Swords, on Floyd street,

December 30th. Mrs. Emmett Womack and her daughter, Miss Nelle, have left for Washington, where they will spend the winter with Colonel Emmett Womack, of the interior

Misses Bertie and Excer Cash will make their home on Loyd street after January Misses Claudia Lee, A. Bomar and Flora

Carr have returned home from a visit to friends in Atlanta and Decatur. Professor Erwin Perry and Colonel Terrell Singleton, of Eatonton, are here on

Misses Grace Lee, of College Park, and Sallie Mae Cook, of the Georgia Female institute, are spending the holidays at Mrs. N. S. Turner and Mrs. Captain J. O. Cooper, with their children, are visit-ing in Milledgeville. Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Caldwell, of Jack-

Mr. and Mrs. h. w. Chauweil, of state-sonville, who have been here for some time, leave this afternoon for their home. Miss Mamie Sawyer, of Jacksonville, left this morning for Milledgeville, where she will spend the holidays.

Dr. and Mrs. A. D. Olds, of Chapel Hill, will visit the family of Captain A. R.

Flovilla, Ga., December 24.—(Special.)— Dr. Seab Lawrence, formerly of Flovilla, was married to Miss Louise Henley, of Locust Grove, yesterday. Immediately after the ceremony the bride and groom, ac-companied by Mr. Carver and Miss Woods, came to Flovilla and were given a recep-tion by Mr. and Mrs. A. F. White. WILD LAND BILL SIGNED.

Claimants of Wild Land Must Now

Bring Suit Within 36 Months. A bill which is important to those oc-cupying wild land obtained by transferred wild land tax fi. fas issued prior to 1880, which it has been alleged were illegally transferred and did not transfer the title, vas signed by Governor Atkinson yester day.

The bill is an act to require all claimants

The bill is an act to require all claimants of land sold under transferred wild land tax fi. fas, or under insufficient advertisement or untransferred wild land tax fi. fas, prior to January 1, 1890, to bring suit for such land within thirty-six months and to provide for the manner of bringing of such suit.

If no suit is brought for land held by persons under the above described wild land tax fi, fas, within thirty-six months they cannot bring suit at all.

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Washington, December 24.—North Carolina, South Carolina and Georgia—Generally fair; continued cold northeasterly easterly winds.
Western Florida—Fair and slightly colder;
northeasterly winds.
Alabama, Mississippi and Louisiana—Fair;
continued cold; northeasterly winds; war-

in the City.

Amid the glitter and splendor of the symbolic life of Masonry the Atlanta lodge held its annual installation last night in

It was an impressive scene. There was all the pomp and grandeur of Masonic ceremony, there was all the charm and mystery of symbolism and there was a magnificent presence of over two hundred intelligent, honest, liberty-loving men. It inspired, it thriled and it instructed one to witness such an imposing sight. One by one the men were brought forward and duly installed into the various offices for the

The following is the list: Henry M. Wood worshipful master; A. Lee Curtis, senior warden; L. D. Carpenter, junior warden; George H. Holliday, treasurer; Z. B. Moon, secretary; J. D. Edward, tyler; James Mason, senior deacon; Aaron Isriel, junior deacon; O. D. Booth, senior steward; J. D. Webster, junior steward; P. M. Hubbard, organet; A. H. Latimer, chaplain; T. A. Teasdale, L. P. Stevens and L. D. Carpen-

ter, finance committee.

The installation ceremonies were conducted by Past Master John C. Joyner, who has so long been identified with Atlanta lodge, and who is one of the most prominent

Masons in the city.

Dr. L. D. Carpenter and Mr. Z. B. Moon were both substantially remembered by the lodge, the one by an unusually handsome Masonic badge and the other by an elegant carving set. Both of these gentlemen have been prominent members of this lodge, for years and their segritors have lodge for years and their services have done much to place the order on the high plane where it is today.

After the installation ceremonies the

members all gathered around the banquet board, where plates had been afranged for 250 people. The banquet was held in the council chamber and a number of speeches were made by some of the more prominent members, among them Mayor King and

LOCAL STAFF AT LUNCHEON CONSTITUTION'S FORCE ENTER-TAINED AT KIMBALL

Fourteen Toasts Were Happily Responded To-The Gathering Was a Pleasant One for All.

The members of the local staff and night editors of The Constitution were entertained at luncheon at the Kimball house yes-The affair was a happy one and those

gathered about the table spent several ours very pleasantly. The luncheon was served in the private dining hall, Manager Scoville, of the Kimball, exerting himself in making it possible for the newspape men to enjoy themselves.

The guest of honor of the occasion, Mr.

Clark Howell, opened the speech-making in a happy manner and he was followed by members of the staff. The toasts were fourteen in number and they were responde to in a manner which contributed to the enjoyment of the occasion.

The luncheon was given to the local staff by Mr. Robert L. Adamson, city editor, and Mr. Alfred C. Newell, night city editor. One of the happiest features of the gathering was the presentation to Mr. Adamson of a very handsome silver toilet set, presented with the c members of the local staff. Mr. Newell de livered the presentation speech and Mr. Howell added a few words complimentary to Mr. Adamson. The latter made a pleas ant response in accepting the gift.

Among those who were present at the luncheon were Messrs Clark Howell, Julian Harris, E. C. Bruffey, Robert Adamson, A. C. Newell, Charles Daniel, Royal Daniel, Frank Weldon, Linton Tedford, Evelys Harris, Daniel Carey, John Y. Garlington, Henry W. Grady, Jr., Ernest Wilkins and W. F. Henderson.

The Toasts. The toasts were as follows: "Lawbreakers and Lawmakers"—C. Dan-

"Looking Backward"-E. C. Bruffey "Assignments and Assignees"-Royal

Daniel. "Myself and Other Orators"—D. Carey.
"Baby's First Santa Claus"—Frank Wel-

"Turn Rule"-Robert Adamson "The Tenderfoot"—J. Y. Garlington.
"Bloomers, Statesmen and Pedagogues"— E. Harris. "Between Smiles and Stories"-Alfred C. Newell.

- and Costs"-E. L. Tedford. "Esecterics"—Julian Harris.
"Sketched from Life"—E. S. Wilkinson "Drawn from Memory"-W. F. Hender on. "New Year's Resolutions"—H. W. Grady

The Menu. Bluepoints
Consomme Tomato Celery Pommes Julienne Croquettes de Volaille, a la Duchesse French Peas
Broiled Quail
Lettuce Salad
Assorted Cake
Cream Neufchatel Cheese Toasted Crackers Fruit Coffee

BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETS Meeting of the City's Educationa Leaders Yesterday.

The board of education held its regular The board of education held its regular metiting yesterday afternoon, but very little business of any importance was transacted. Mrs. W. A. Hemphili read an interesting paper, which was greatly appreciated by the members present.

Colonel Pendleton was elected vice president of the board for the ensuing year. The office has heretofore been held by Captain Lowry, who has also held the office of treasurer. Mr. Lowry is still treasurer, but found that he could not well occupy both offices.

Shot Through the Hand. Rome, Ga., December 24.—(Special.)—This morning Jee Thurman attempted to get over a fence carrying a pistol in his hand. The hammer struck the rail and the pistol fired, the ball passing through his right





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The mill is now being operated by the un-

ber lands, timber rights and equities, leases, etc.

The mill is now being operated by the undersigned and can be examined by possible purchasers. Terms of purchase, \$5,000 cash, balance \$2,000 per month with 8 per cent interest. Default of any one payment makes entire amount due and payable.

Bids must be sealed and accompanied by a certified check of \$200 to pay expense of advertisement in event of accepted bidder failing to make other payments otherwise to be applied on purchase price.

Bids to be addressed to Judge J. H. Lumpkin and to be delivered to him on or before 9 o'clock a. m., January 9, 1837.

The right is reserved to reject any or all bids and sale to be made only on approval of court.

of court.

This is a business now in operation and fully equipped and organized; a fine chance for a sawmill business; plenty good timber within reach of this location.

M. F. AMOROUS, Receiver.

Atlanta, Ga., December 10, 1896.

#### With the Holidays Come Many Pleasures.

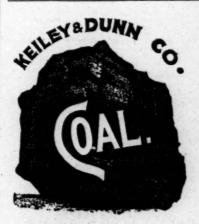
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BidsWanted forCourthouse

Sealed proposals will be received by the board of commissioners of roads and revenues for the county of DeKalb at their office in the courthouse at Decatur, Ga., until 10 o'clock on Monday, the 25th day of January, 1897, and at that time opened in the presence of the bidders, for furnishing all the material and performing all the labor required for the erection and full completion of a new courthouse on the lot upon which is located the present courthouse in the town of Decatur, in DeKalb county, Ga., as shown by the full plans and specifications on file in the office of said board of commissioners of roads and county. Ga., as shown by the full plans and specifications on file in the office of said board of commissioners of roads and revenues for said county, and copies of which may be had by intending bidders on application to Architects Golucke & Stewart, at their office, 24% Whitehall street, Atlanta, Ga. And the said board of commissioners of roads and revenues reserves the right to reject any and all the bids which may be then submitted. Payments will be made as the work progresses, the last payment to be made on the completion of the building and its acceptance by the county authorities.

Good and solvent bond will be required of the siccessful bidder, as required by the statute; and each proposal must be accompaned by a certified check for \$1.000 as a guarantee that the successful bidder will execute the required bond with two good and solvent securities within tendays after the contract has been awarded. By order of the board.

Board of Commissioners of Roads and Revenues of Deksib County.

1. N. WHAON Clerk.

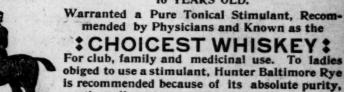
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## HOLIDAY MARKETS

ulk of Trading in Stocks Done Yesterday Before Hoon.

CLOSED A FRACTION HIGHER

on Showed Stubbornness and the Same as Thursday.

New York, December 24.—The stock market was a sort of holding affair. As quotations from London came higher and there was a considerable local short interest in the market prices ruled on a somewhat higher range during the greater part of the session. The improvement in the usually prominent shares was equal to 4.61 per cent, but toward the close a part of the advance was lost because of the fallure of the Calumet State bank, of Blue Island, Ill. In the late reaction Manhattan and Chicago Gas were most prominent, Island, Ill. In the late reaction Manhattan and Chicago Gas were most prominent, the former receding 1 and the latter % percent. In a few of the specialties sharp fluctuations occurred. United States Rubber common rose 1% to 25% on the declaration of the dividend of 2 per cent by the directors yesterday, but the preferred, which opened at 77%, ex-dividend, subsequently declined to 78%. Delaware and Hudson recovered 2 points to 121. Consolidated Gas, on the agitation for a reduction in the price to consumers from \$1.25 to \$1 per thousand feet, broke from 14 to 18% and after rallying to 141%, receded to 161. Long Island, on the circulation of unfavorable rumors concerning the financial condition of the company, dropped 3 to 42, regular, and was offered as low as \$71%, seller 35. Wheeling and Lake Erle was higher on a statement by Prestdent Blair to the stockholders, in which he called attention to the improvement made in the physical condition of the road, the opening up of new coal mines on the line of the property and a new trackage arrangement with the Columbus. Sandusky and Hocking Railnew coal mines on the line of the property and a new trackage arrangement with the Columbus, Sandusky and Hocking Railroad Company, which, the president says, will inure to the benefit of the Wheeling and Lake Erie. The total transactions were only 68,848 shares and the bulk of the business was done before noon. Speculation closed firm in tone. Net changes show advances of 36% per cent, the latter in St. Paul and Quincy. Consolidated Gas was an exception and closed 3 per cent lower. Bonds were quiet and irregular. The sales footed up \$767,000.

Treasury balances: Coin, \$12,454,226; currency, \$54,149,907.

by on call easy at 1%@2 per cent; last

Money on call easy at 1½@2 per cent; last loan at 2, closing offered at 2; prime mercantile paper 4 per cent.

Bar silver 65½c.

Sterling exchange firm with actual business in bankers' bills at \$4.83@4.84 for 60 days and \$4.87@4.87½ for demand; posted rates \$4.84½@4.87; commercial bills \$4.82¼@4.87.

Government bonds firm. State bonds dull. Railroad bonds lower. ver at the board was steady.

London, December 24.—Bar silver 29 15-16. Consols 110 13-16 for money and 111 for the Paris, December 24—4:30 p. m.—Three per

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Atchison				1336	18%
Am'n Sugar Refining.	110	110%	110	110	109%
C., C., C. & St. Louis Burlington & Quincy	70%	70%	70%	25%	70
Chicago Gas	73	78	724	70%	72%
Canada Southern	48%	46%	45%	45%	46
D. L. & Western				15634	156
Erle				1434	1436
Edison Gen. Elec	81%	82	31%	81%	3136
American Tobacco	79	79%	78%	7814	78%
Jersey Central	100	100%	16334	99%	99%
Lake Shore	153%	100%	100%	158%	1534
National Lead	47%	48	47%	221/2	2214
Missouri Pacific	117	30	41.78	19%	19%
Baltimore & Ohio	15%	16%	15	15	141
Tenn. Coal & Iron				25	25
Northwestern	10136	102	1014	102	1015
Southern Rallway				934	93.
do Preferred	281/2	26%	2814	2834	26%
Northern Pac. Pref				22	224
New York Central	93	941/2	92%	941/2	. 83
New England	********			45	45
Omaha	237	23%	28%	47	47%
Reading	25%	25%	2534	2316	23 24%
Rock Island	65%	6634	65 %	68	651/2
St. Paul.	72%	781	72%	7314	724
Union Pacific	9	916	. 9	91	3%
American Cotton Oil				10%	104
Western Union	824	82%	82%	8234	81%
American Spirits Co	11%	11%	113%	111/2	1136
U. S. Leather Pref	61 1	61%	61%	6136	60%
Menhattan	87%	88%	87%	87%	86%

#### Financial Gossip.

New York, December 24.—The covering during the morning was the little rebound necessary to bring the pendulum to a stand-still. The afternoon weakness was due in part to the slump in New York Central, which was considered indicative of some-thing favorable. It was thought the market would be quiet today and perhaps next week, but after the holidays chances were favorable for moderate improvement. It was admitted that there might be an unusal number of failures in the next few weeks, but the prevailing sentiment was

New York, December 24.—Recent buying of Tobacco has been insiders. This has been so clear as to create rumors of favorable news, either in regard to trade, war or in the way of a distribution of stockholders. People having good informa-tion tell us that the stock has been bought expectation of something extra in divi-nd, although they do not say what is ticopated.

comber decreased \$63,000.

diadelphia special says: "The New Eng-tobacco trust, with a capital of \$8,000,

m The New York Stockholder. rom The New York Stockholder.

A holiday market with prices drooping beause the old year goes out in disappointment. Unfortunately, many bank failures are cocurred instead of the expected boom a business, traffics have been phenomeally poor and altogether the situation is bout as bad as possible. But for hope the sarket, on the facts now present, would be ten-point decline, and get it quickly.

On and from a lower level of values expect better things, if earnings are expect better things, if earnings are expectively and the same of the provenent, we been fooled too badly by this sort that they will now the switence of betterment. Lake Shore and Michigan Central. They reduced the dividend on Canada Southern to 1 per cent. The latter event made a disagreeable impression, but is atrictly in line with conservatism and conditions. The question whether other and greater properties will follow the example of the Canada Southern or continue to pay uncarned dividends is still before investors and speculators.

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Chicago, Burlington and Quincy will, it is said, declare the regular 1 per cent for the current quarter. It is difficult to believe this in view of earnings, tonnage, rates, etc., but the management has paid unearned dividends so long that repetition of the thing now should cause no surprise. We predict the stock will cross Rock Island in 487 and cut dividends, basing the prophecy on a permanent change in traffic and agricultural conditions west of Chicago.

The unfortunate financial conditions prevalent in the west continued to exert a depressing influence. They seemed to show that the Cuban matter was not altoyther responsible for the recent decline in values, and that people have been looking in the wrong direction for the causes of disquietude and liqudation. Following the bank panic in Chicago, there occurred other financial embarrassments most important of which was that of the Bank of Minnesota, of St. Paul. Routine news was tame. The statements submitted at the Vanderbilt meetings were about as expected.

#### LOCAL BONDS AND STOCKS.

The following are			
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B. A. & M. o'th. 84	1LROA	do income 68, 1990109	0.54
		Aug. & Sav 94	28%

#### THE COTTON MARKET.

Spot Quotations.

The exchange will not reopen until Mon-The following were the quotations for spot cotton yesterday at the prices named: Atlanta—Easy; middling, 6 7-16c. Liverpool—In buyers' favor; middling,

1-32d. New York—Quiet: middling, 7%c. New Orleans—Quiet: middling, 6%c. Savannah—Quiet; middling, 6 9-16c. Savannan—Quiet; middling, 6%c.
Norfolk—Steady; middling, 6%c.
Mobile—Quiet; middling, 6%c.
Memphis—Steady; middling, 6%c.
Augusta—Steady; middling, 6 9-16c.
Houston—Steady; middling, 6%c. The iollowing is the statement of the receipts, ship-cents and stock in Atlanta:

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cotton futures in New Orleans yesterday; 

Hubbard Bros. & Co.'s Cotton Letter. New York, December 24.—A slight improvement in value represents the reflection of the holiday and the information from the interior of the demand for cotton from the continent. Receipts are reported as falling off rapidly at the interior towns, but there is as yet no indication in the port movement of any diminution in the volume of receipts. A bearish tone to the market the dominant as the approach of the new is dominant, as the approach of the new year brings no apparent increase in the demand from American spinners, who are slow buyers under existing circumstances, it is expected that the in sight movement this week will show 355,000 to 360,000 bales, against 402,000 last week; and though this is less than the earlier estimates, it is without effect on values.

The Dry Goods Market. The Dry Goods Market.

New York, December 24.—There was no expectation that business in the dry goods market today would prove other than exceedingly quiet, and consequently there was no disappointment over the prevailing dullness. The tone of the general market is extremely dull, more so than accounted for by mere holiday influences, and the tendency of prices in several directions in staple cotton is distinctly in favor of buyers. The woolen goods division likewise is very dull, but a generally steady tone in this is noted.

Riordan & Co.'s Cotton Letter.

New York, December 24.—The market today, as is usual on Christmas eve, was rather quiet, much of the business consisting in the evening up of ventures until after the holidays. In spite of a rather discouraging Liverpool report, prices showed great stubbornness at the opening and afterwards hardened, closing about the same as yesterday. March opened at 6.99, advanced to 7.04 and closed at 7.00@7.01, with the tone quiet and steady. We would rather buy than sell.

The Sun's Cotton Review.

New York, December 24.—Spot cotton was unchanged with sales of 100 bales for ex-port. Middling uplands 7%c, against 7%c last year. last year.

There was more skylarking than trading on the cotton exchange today. The speculation, what there was of it, was of an evening-up character, and prices showed very little change. The floor committee set aside all rules for the day, and allowed smoking during business hours. President Hopkins cabled the Liverpool Cotton Association as follows:

"Compliments of the season to officers and members of your association."

President Oelrichs cabled the following answer:

answer: "We all heartily reciprocate your good "We all heartily reciprocate your good wishes."

The receipts at the ports today were considered liberal and the receipts next week are expected to be full. The port receipts this week are estimated at 305,000, against 331,000 last week and 220,000 last year. The interior receipts for the week are estimated at 150,000, against 188,000 last week and 113,000 last year. The quantity to come into sight is estimated at 350,000 to 360,000 bales.

Liverpool and Port Markets. Liverpool and Port Markets.

Liverpool, December 24.—12:15 p. m.—Cotton. spot demand fair with prices in buyers' favor; middling uplands 41.32:asies 12:000 bales; American 11.100; speculation and export 500; receipts 5:000; American 4.000; uplands low middling clause December delivery 3:01.64; December and January delivery 3:07.64; January and February delivery 3:07.64; February and March delivery 3:07.64, 3:07.64; April and April delivery 3:07.64, 3:08.64; May and June delivery 3:08.64; June and July delivery 3:08.64; July and August delivery 3:08.64; April and Mayidelivery 3:08.64; July and August delivery 3:08.64; Livers 3:08.64; July and August delivery 3:08.64; Livers opened quiet with demand moderate. Norfolk, December 24—Cetten steady; midding 6; net receipte 3,176 bales; gross 3,176; sales 797; stead 50,5660; exports to Great Britain 3,991; to Fran 5,200; coastwise 8,214.

5,200; constwise 3,214.
Baltimore, December 24—Cotton quiet; middling 7%; netreceptation enhales; gross 1,503; sales none; steck 23,856.
Boston. December 24—Cotton steady; middling 7%; net receipts 1,380 bales; gross 3,244; sales none; steck none; exports to Greut Britain 2,043.
Wilmington, December 24—Cotton firm; middling 6,7-10; net receipts 1,387 bales; gross 1,387; sales none; stock 13,481; exports to Great, Britain 10,323.
Philadelphia, December 24—Cotton mide; middling 10,323. neme; stock 13,481; exports to Great, Britain 10,326. Philadelphia, December 24—Cotten quiet: middling 7%; net receipts 1,619 bales; gross 1,619; nales neme; stock 9,867; exports to Great Britain 537. Bavannah, December 24—Cetten quiet; middling 6 9-16; net receipts 4,691 bales; gross 4,691; nales 500; stock 131,017; exports constwise 915. New Orleans, December 24—Cotten quiet; middling 6%; net receipts 1,389 bales; gross 18,380; nales 2,000; stock 460,483; exports to France 5,650. Mobile, December 24—Cotten quiet; middling 6%; net receipts 1,366 bales; gross 18,366; nales 400; stock 48,943; exports to Great Britain 8,450; constwise 1,742.

Augusta, December 24—Cotton steady: middling 6 13-16; net receipts 1,340 bales; shipments 1,589 sales 673; stook 54,429. Charleston, December 24 — Cetten quiet; middling 6 9-16; net receipts 4,758 hales; gross 4,758; sales none; steck 55,022; exports to Great Britain 6,474; constwine 335. Neusten, December 24—Cotten steady; middling 6%; net receipts 9,156 bales; shipments 8,434; sales 133; steck 52,469.

#### THE CHICAGO MARKET.

Trade Light and News Scarce but

Prices Advanced. Chicago, Ill., December 24.-The wheat Chicago, Ill., December 24.—The wheat market today was in every respect a typical holiday one. Trading was light, news scarce and confined to a few inveterate scalpers. Notwithstanding the apparent indifference, existing prices made a substantial gain over yesterday. May wheat opened from 81½ to 81%@81%c, sold between 81% and 81%c, closing at the top—%@%c higher than yesterday. Cash wheat was irm at ½c higher.
Corn was steady at and around the open-

ing, but soon afterwards went the way of wheat, declining in sympathy with that grain. The market was lifeless, but a few scattered small lots being dealt in. The scattered small lots being dealt in. The close was firm in sympathy with the advance in the adjoining pit. May corn opened at 25%c, sold between 25%@25½ and 25½c, closing at the outside—a shade over yesterday. Cash corn was easy with prices unchanged.

Extreme quiet reigned in the oats market. No effort at trading took place, and no news was received. May oats opened at 20c, sold at 19%c, closing at 20c—a shade over yesterday. The narrowness of the range speaks for the dullness of the trade. Cash oats were steady and ½@½c per bushel lower.

lower.

Provisions—Steadiness prevailed in product, the feeling being derived from the hog market. The trade was occasionally moderate, but more frequently dull and inactive. No feature developed, and prices changed but little. At the close May pork

changed but little. At the close May pork and lard were each a shade higher and May ribs a shade lower.

Hides were quiet and firm. Natives, heavy, 9@9\(\frac{9}{4}\)\(\text{c}\); light 8\(\frac{9}{4}\)(@8\(\frac{9}{2}\)\(\text{c}\); but brands, heavy, 8\(\frac{9}{4}\)(?1\(\frac{9}{4}\))(?1\(\frac{9}{4}\)(?1\(\frac{9}{4}\))(?2\(\frac{9}{4}\)(?1\(\frac{9}{4}\))(?2\(\frac{9}{4}\)(?1\(\frac{9}{4}\))(?2\(\frac{9}{4}\)(?2\(\frac{9}{4}\))(?2\(\frac{9}{4}\)(?2\(\frac{9}{4}\))(?2\(\frac{9}{4}\)(?2\(\frac{9}{4}\))(?2\(\frac{9}{4}\)(?2\(\frac{9}{4}\))(?2\(\frac{9}{4}\)(?2\(\frac{9}{4}\))(?2\(\frac{9}{4}\)(?2\(\frac{9}{4}\))(?2\(\frac{9}{4}\)(?2\(\frac{9}{4}\))(?2\(\frac{9}{4}\)(?2\(\frac{9}{4}\))(?2\(\frac{9}{4}\)(?2\(\frac{9}{4}\))(?2\(\frac{9}{4}\)(?2\(\frac{9}{4}\))(?2\(\frac{9}{4}\)(?2\(\frac{9}{4}\))(?2\(\frac{9}{4}\)(?2\(\frac{9}{4}\))(?2\(\frac{9}{4}\))(?2\(\frac{9}{4}\)(?2\(\frac{9}{4}\))(?2\(\frac{9}{4}\))(?2\(\frac{9}{4}\)(?2\(\frac{9}{4}\))(?2\(\frac{9}{4}\))(?2\(\frac{9}{4}\)(?2\(\frac{9}{4}\))(?2\(\frac{9}{4}\))(?2\(\frac{9}{4}\)(?2\(\frac{9}{4}\))(?2\(\frac The leading futures ranged as follows in Chicago: 78% 81% 75% High 78% 81% 76% 15 Now 78 81 1/6 75 %

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Atlanta, Ga., December 24, 1896.

Flour, Grain and Meal.

Atlanta, December 24—Flour, first patent \$5.90; second patent 5.50; straight 4.85; fancy 4.75; extra family 4.50. Corn, white 42c; mixed 41c. Oats, white 34c; mixed 30c; Texas rustproof 45c. Rye, Georgia 90c. Earley, Georgia paled 90c. Hay, No. 1 timothy large bales 90c; small bales 80c; No. 2 timothy small bales 75c. Meal, plain 41c; bolted 38c. Wheat bran, large sacks 72c; small sacks 70. Shorts 85c. Stock meal \$1.00. Cotton seed meal 95c per 100 ms; hulls 6.00 per ton. Peas 60c per hushel. Grits \$2.50.

New York, December 24—Southern flour dull and

Grits \$2.50.

New York, December 24—Southern flour dull and steady good to choice \$3.55@3.85; common to fair extra \$3.00@3.55

Wheat, spot quiet but firmer; options fairly active and firm at \$3.6% cadvance; No. 2 red December 90; January 89½; May 87½. Corn, spot quiet but firmer; No. 2 in elevator 29½; affoat 30½; options dull at ½@½c advance; December 29½; January 29½. May 31½. Oats, spot quiet but firm; options dull but steady; December 22½; January 23; May 24½; No. 2 spot) 22½; No. 2 white 25; mixed western 21@24.

St. Louis. December 24—Flour steady; patents \$4.60

western 21(@24, St. Louis, December 24—Flour steady; patents \$4.60 @4.70; fancy \$3.50(@3.60; cholce \$3.10@3.25. Wheat higher: December 91½ asked; May 90½ bid. Corn lower: December 20 askedd; May 20½ bid. Corn lower: December 20 askedd; May 22—bid. Oats lower: No. 2 December 20; May 20½.

Cincinnati December 24—Flour quiet; winter patents \$4.75(@4.95; fancy \$4.10@4.35; spring patents \$4.50(@4.90. Wheat quiet; No. 2 red 93@64. Corn active: No. 2 mixed 21½; No. 2 white 22½. Oats slow; No. 2 mixed 21½;

Chicago, December 24—Flourdull butsteady. No. 2 spring wheat 78@78%; No. 3 spring —: No 2 red 89%. No. 2 corn 22%@23. No. 2 cats 17%.

#### Groceries.

Atlanta, December 24—Rosated coffee \$17,10 per 100 h cases, Green coffee choice 16; fair 15; prime 14. Sugar standard granulated 4,62c; New Orleans white 4½c; do yellow 4½c. Strup, New Orleans open kettle 25@40c; mixed 12½@20c; sugar house 28@35c. Teas, black 30@65c; green 20@50c. Rice, head 6½c; choice 5½@6c. Salt, dairy sacks 1,25; do bbls. 2,25; ice-cream 90c; common 65c. Cheese, full cream 0½@11½c. Matches, 65s 50c; 200s 1,30@1.75; 300s 2,75. Soda, boxes 6c. Crackers, soda 5½c; cream 7c; gingersnaps 7c. Candy, common stick 5½c; lancy 12@13c. Oysters, F. W. 1,75; L. W. 1,25. New York, December 24—Coffee, options closed 

Provisions. Provisions.

Atlanta, December 24—Clear ribs boxed sides 4½; clear sides 4½; ce-cured bellies 7½c. Sugar-cured hams 11@12½c; California 7½c; breakfast bacon 10 @11c. Lard, best quality 5½; second quality 5; compound 4½c.

St. Louis, December 24—Pork, standard mess \$8.00. Lard prime steam 3.72½c. Dry salt meats, shoulders 4.00; short clear 3.87½; clear ribs 4.25; clear sides 4.25. Bacon, boxed shoulders 4.00; extra short clear 3.87½; clear ribs 4.25; clear sides 4.25; short clear 4.37½.

New York, December 24—Pork steady and in bet ter demand; new mess \$8.20@8.75. Middles nominal; short clear —. Lard easy and in moderate: wear-croisteam 4.05; city steam 3.62½; options, December 4.05. 4.05. Chlcago, December 24—Cash quotations were as follows: Mess pork \$6.70@6.75. Lard 3.70@3.72%. Short ribs, loose 3.75@3.95. Dry sait shoulders boxed 4.25@4.50: short rib sides boxed 4.00@4.12%. Cincinnati, December 24—Pork steady; family \$8.50. Lard quiet; kettle 4.00; prime steam 3.70. Bacon, shoulders 4.00; short ribs 4.12%; short clear sides 4.50.

Naval Stores.

Savannab. December 24—Turpentine quiet at 25 regulars; sales none.casks; receipts 1,022. Rosin rm; sales 5,000 bbls; receipts 4,465; A. B. C. D. R. "\$1.45; G \$1.45; H. \$1.05; I \$1.75; K \$1.80; M \$2.25; window glass \$2.45; waterwhite \$2.70@ 2.75. Charleston, December 24—Turpentine firm at 24½; sales none casks. Rosin firm; sales none bbis; A. B\$1.40; C, D, E. \$1.40; F \$1.40; G \$1.45; H \$1.50; \$1.51.50; K \$1.70; M \$1.80; N \$2.00; windowglass \$2.20; waterwhite \$2.50.

Wilmington, December 24—Rosin firm; strained \$1.45; good strained \$1.50; spirits turpentinedull, machine 25½; irregulars 24; tar steady at \$1.49; crude turpentine quiet; hard \$1.40; soft \$1.90; virgin \$1.80.

Chicago. December 24—Cattle firm' and 10c higher; receipts 5.000; common to extra steem \$3.60@. 5.50; stockers and feeders \$2.85@3.80; cows and bulls \$1.60@3.75; calves \$3.00@5.50; Texans \$2.85@4.30; western rangers — Hogs steady; receipts 25.000; heavy packing and shipping lots \$3.10@3.40; mos to choice mixed \$3.00@1.

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EXAMPLES OF LONGEVITY.

Habits of Life of Various Male and Female Centenarians.

From The London Standard.

Among the examples of moderation in diet, Miguel Solls, of San Salvador, is conspicuous. He was, according to The Lancet, 180 years old in 1878, and, if he is still to the fore, is likely to complete his second century. He believed that he had lived so long because he had never eaten more than one meal a day. Even in that he limited himself to what he could tuck in during the short space of half an hour. He, therefore, was a living argument against those hyglemists who bid us eat slowly and masticate well. His diet was chiefly vegetable, meat, which was always cooked the day before, entering into it only twice a week. For two days in every month he fasted, and he drank large quantities of water. His plan included several other details, and, on the whole, we of the three-score and ten can, without envy, wish him joy.

Macklin, the comedian, who lived and died in Covent Garden, was a wonderful oddity, in virtue of which—or perhaps in spite of which—he managed to get through 107 years. He followed the wise and simple rule of eating when hungry, drinking when thirsty, and sleening when sleeny From The London Standard.

ple rule of eating when hungry, drinking when thirsty, and sleeping when sleepy. He never took off his clothes except for the purpose of having his body rubbed all over with brandy. He always slept in blankets, and history does not record a single journey on their part to the laundress. And his

ney on their part to the laundress. And his couch, which was hard, was placed in the middle of the room.

What is most strange about longevity is that it comes, like the dew of heaven, to every class. Kings who live in huxury, beggars who go through existence in a state of chronic cold and hunger, giants and cripples, abstainers and drunkards, large eaters and small eaters, tollers and siuggards, brainworkers and bodyworkers, vegetarians and carnivores, smokers and non-smokers. and carnivores, smokers and non-smokers, sane and insane—all have apparently an equal chance of the prize of long life. An old woman who died in Ireland at the age old woman who died in Ireland at the age of 112 was ail her life a beggar, and during the last half of it was never known to eat a square meal from one end of the year to another. In the United States, on the other hand, a man even exceeded this figure, and he was never known to pass a day without eating as much all by himself as an ordinary family of five. It was also an American who grew a new and fine set of teeth at the age of 106 for the purpose of eating three pounds of pork, three pounds of bread, and a vast quantity of cabbage on the day when he gave up the ghost. On the other land, a Shoreditch barber, who died aged 105, never drank anything but water and ate only once a day. A priest of Nice lived solely on vegetables, which kept his machine running, and in perfect order, for 106 years.

106 years. Among a host of others, one gentleman Among a host of others, one gentleman of 127 years, a grandson of the famous Thomas Parr, attributes his length of days to extreme temperance and regular exercise. And Mrs. Judith Bannister, who died at Cowes in her 108th year, lived on apples, biscuit and milk and water for the last sixty years of her life; while a man named Confit, of Burythorpe, achieved the won-derful span of a century and a half through moderate eating, great exercise and gulp-ing down a raw egg once a day. By a pleasant process one earl of Huntingdon contrived to celebrate 100 birthdays. He took care to eat cysters at every meal.
Roasted turnip for supper every night in
the year formed the elixir that carried the year formed the elixir that carried Mr. Wilson, of Sussex, through 116 years. And Mr. Elkins, of Combs, lived a century by feeding, during the latter two-thirds of it, on bread, milk and turnip tops. Mrs. McCarthy, of Cork, breakfasted at 7, dined at 1 and supped at half past 6. This she declared was the secret of her long life. She died at 103 years. But Philip Laroque, a Gascony butcher, was drunk twice every week for eighty years and yet lived to be a Gascony butcher, was drunk twice every week for eighty years and yet lived to be 102; while a Kerry man named McCarthy drank rum and whisky as we take tea and coffee. If he was ever tempted to descend to claret or ale he drank immediately afterwards an equal quantity of poteen "as a wedge," he said. He kept doing this for 111 years. Smoking heavily was the practice that kept Mrs. Robertson, a Scotch woman, going for 106 years. And Mr. Richard Brown, of Peterchurch, was never seen without a pipe in his month. It would be interesting to hear some Transvaal records, for in that country they keep the pipe going with as much constancy as a blast furnace.

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We think with pleasure of the business the season brought us, but not with self-satisfied complacency. Out of those days of crushing crowds and tremendous sales we gleaned suggestions for the future. You did splendidly by us; we must do better by you—our obligations and responsibilities are great. You, the public, are our preceptors. We are striving to learn our lesson—we'll recite it next Christmas time. We don't expect to make a perfect recitation. Perhaps our ideal of perfection is beyond us. But we are not pessimists. For the coming days we write "PRO-GRESS" all over the store. Progress in Accuracy; Progress in Promptness; Progress in Mer-

The store emerges from the Holiday tumult with strengthened alliances—potential evidences of universal appreciation. The verdict is that our system operated easier than ever. Less confusion; less error; less friction. It was your confidence in our efforts that increased the number and the volume of the transactions. More customers came; more merchandise was sold. We return thanks for the faith you express by bestowing such liberal patronage. It is an incentive and inspiration to larger endeavor and higher achievement. . . .

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G. H. TANNER,
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#### No. 5030. REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE THIRD NATIONAL BANK, At Atlanta, in the State of Georgia, at the Close of Business December 17, 1896.

RESOURCES.

STATE OF GEORGIA, COUNTY OF FULTON, S. S.—I, Jos. A. McCord, cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

JOSEPH A. McCORD, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 23d day of December, 1896.

W. H. SYMME RS, Notary Public, Fulton County, Ga.

Correct—Attest:
FRANK H. HAWKINS, JR.,
M. A. FALL,
H. M. ATKINSON,

No. 1559. REPORT OF THE CONDITION -OF THE-

#### Atlanta National Bank At Atlanta, in the state of Georgia, at the close of business, December 17, 1896.

RESOURCES: 

Due from national banks (not reserve agents). 157,101 73
Due from state banks and bankers. 27,872 64
Due from approved reserve agents 580,532 84
Checks and other cash items. 2,594 45
Exchanges for clearing house. 51,490 00
Notes of other national banks. 37,525 00
Fractional paper currency, aickels and cents. 3,207 18
Lawful Money Beserve in Bank, viz:

LIABILITIES:

....\$2,933,274 65 Total ..... STATE OF GEORGIA, COUNTY OF FULTON, 88: I, C. E. Currier, cashler of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above astement is true, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

C. E. CURRIER, Cashier. Subscribed and sworn to before me this 23d day of December, 1896. Correct-Attest:

D. B. DESAUSSURE, Notary Public, Fulton County, Galorrect—Attest:

A. E. THORNTON, P. ROMARE, FRANK E. BLOCK.

Solicitor Hill Orders the Prisoner Turned Out of Jail.

WAS TAKEN DIRECTLY TO NEWTON COUNTY

Warrant Against Adolphus Bailey There for Murder, but This Negro Probably Wrong Man.

Adolphus Bailey, the negro who has been locked in Fulton county jail for several weeks charged with the murder of William Waters, has been exonerated of the charge and was released yesterday afternoon. and was released yesterday afternoon.

When Di Morgan and George Pardue, the other two which circumstancial evidence sessed to implicate in the crime, were turned loose, Solicitor Hill ordered Balley held for further investigation. There has never been any very damaging evidence against him, however, and after four weeks of fruitiess search for incriminating testimony, Mr. Hill ordered the negro released on his own recognizance. negro released on his own recognizance. In the order the solicitor states that there is not sufficient evidence to warrant the negro being held, and while the charge

But while Balley has been cleared o one charge of murder, another has bobbed up against him and he is still in the custody of the law. A warrant has been standing gainst Adolphus Bailey nearly a year in Newton county, where he is charged with murdering another negro near Covington last Christmas.

him, he was released on his own recogni-

Taken to Newton County. Therefore, no sooner was Bailey released from Fulton county jail yesterday after-noon than the sheriff of Newton county was on hand to take charge of him. The officer left with his prisoner last night at 6 o'clock for Covington, where he will be tried at the next regular term of court before Judge Candler, at whose instance the transfer was made.

When Bailey left the city he was in good spirits. He says he is not wanted in Newton county for murder, as he never killed a man there in his life. It is be-lieved by the local authorities that Bailey is innocent of this second charge, and the evidence against, him, if there is any at

all, is very weak.

As soon as the Newton county authorities heard Bailey was under arrest here for the murder of Waters, they immediately notified the Atlanta authorities that a man of that name answering the same de-scription, was wanted there for murder; and also requested that if Bailey was released on the local charge he be held until an officer from Covington could arrive, One day last week the sheriff of Newton

county, who claims he knew Bailey, called at Fulton county jail to identify him as the man who had done the killing. Jailer Eubanks had the prisoner brought into the corridor with several other prisoners, but Newton's sheriff, after carefully surveying the prisoners, promptly stated that Bailey was not in the gang.

Bailey was there, and it naturally follows the wrong man is being held. The sheriff explained his mistake from the bare ssibility of Bailey's having changed in the last year beyond recognition.

Probably the Wrong Man.

Last Monday afternoon Mr. Frank Walker called at the jail and pronounced Bailey not the man wanted in Newton county. He stated the Adolphus Bailey, who murdered the negro near Covington, lives on the outskirts of Atlanta and is an entirely different man.

This leaves the murder of William Waters, who was found with the top of his head blown off on the Humphries road five miles from the city eight weeks ago, a profounder mystery than ever. The de-tectives who worked the case state they confident the three negroes arrested the deed, but were unable to convict

CULBERSON ON POLITICS.

The Governor of Texas Reviews the Democratic Situation. From The St. Louis Republic.

Governor Charles A. Culberson, of Texas, who was recently re-elected to the governorship, is in St. Louis, on his way home from Battle Creek, Mich., where he has been since the election with his wife, who is there for her health. In conversation with a reporter for The Republic yesterday at the Planters, Governor Culberson spok) freely of the recent election in its effect upon the democratic party, both in the union and in Texas.

"While all loyal democrats are disappointed and regret the defeat of the national ticket," he said, "yet the result of paign is gratifying in many respects and the ultimate good to the party is un-mistakable. In the first place, the national democracy has been steered away from republicanism and plutocracy and an old fashloned democratic platform adopted That the party should have sincerely and boldly declared its ancient faith in the essential principles of manhood liberties, for radical reduction of public expenditures, against banks of issue, for an income tax and a purely revenue tariff, against trusts and combinations, against the insidious en-croachments of the federal judiciary of which Jefferson warned us, for the pre vation of jury trials in those courts, and for the immediate and unconditional restoration of bimetallism, is in itself a splendid party achievement. It gives renewed con-fidence to the rank and file of democracy and finds enthusiastic approval in thousands of patriotic men who have heretofore voted with other parties. Thousands had been driven out of the party, the national admin-istration and patronage and national organization were in control of the gold men, and when all these facts and difficulthe time believed that this restatement o democratic truths was all that could be reasonably expected in one campaign. Since the congress is antagonistic and he would be unable to enforce his policies, the defeat of Bryan is not an unmixed evil, for the nurtful effects of republican and pres-ent policies and continued industrial depression as the result would have been charge to his administration. The adoption of a genuine democratic platform is not all the progress that has been made. In 1894 the financial measures of the present national administration were submitted to the peo-ple, and the house of representatives then cted stands 252 republicans, 92 democrats. lists and three vacancies. At the recent election these measures were sharply antagomized by the democracy and there were elected to the house 205 republicans 134 democrats and 18 populists, showing a decided gain for democracy under the pres-

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children.

rental Objections Last Sunday.

Mr. Petty Steals Miss Simmerly and
They Are Married in Western
Heights and Receive Blessing.

Attributes His Financial Troubles to
Dull Trade and the Pressure
Made for Collections.

A very pretty story, the main part of which occurred last Sunday and which embraces love, courtship, parental objections and finally an elopement, has just eaked out. The young lady in the case is Miss Ola Simmerly, who, until last Sun-day, lived with her father, Mr. I. S. Simmerly, at 266 Frazier street, and the young man who grew so bold as to steal his bride is Mr. J. E. Petty, who is well known in the city and is an employe of the American Upholstering Company.

The young lady is very pretty and consequently had, before her marriage.

sequently had, before her marriage, a number of admirers, who paid her court for many months. But all of the young

cure His Creditors.

On account of dull trade and pressure of reditors Mr. Charles H. Simon, the Whitehall street merchant, yesterday filed a number of mortgages in the superior pourt. Later in the day an application for receiver was filed by Attorneys Rosser & Carter, representing creditors to the amount of several thousand dollars. The case will come up for a hearing before Judge Lumpkin in chambers, when he will hear argument from the attorneys who are engaged in the case and will decide whether

or not a receiver should be appointed to take charge of the assets.

Mr. Simon is well known to the retail trade of the city, having been in bu



MR. BRYAN BIDS GOODBY TO ATLANTA.

men who visited her none found such favor | for a number of years here. He was until in her eyes as did young Mr Petty. It part, and soon he discovered that his affec-tions were reciprocated.

Naturally it was not many weeks before Mr. Petty proposed, and while the young lady was willing yet it was the best thing to do, she thought, to refer her admirer to papa. Much to the consternation of the young people, he objected. He objected violently, and expressed his dissatisfaction in no unmeaning terms. He said, however, that he had no objections to the visits of the young man, but as for a possible son-in-law the subject must be dismissed at

With this message, the much abashed Mr. Petty returned to his heart's ideal and laid the matter before her. Now, as everyone knows, when two young people are really in love it is useless for the parents, or anyone else, for that matter, to object, because the marriage is sure to occur

or later Thus it proved in the case of Mr. Petty and Miss Simmerly. After discussing the matter fully they decided that the only course for them to pursue was to elope Accordingly the plans were laid and the few personal friends of the two young people were notified. It was the duty of these friends to wait at a safe distance from the house and cover the retreat of the couple after the escape had been made

It was not the intention of the groom to steal his bride in the ordinary fashion That is, he did not relish the idea of steal-ing into the house at night and spiriting away the bride from under the parental He preferred rather the plan of the very eyes of her parents. This plan prevailed and last Sunday afternoon the two young people informed Mr. and Mrs. Simmerly that they intended taking a walk, but would return in time for suppe

They then left the house, met their friends a block away and in due season reached the house of Preccher Smith, who lives in Western Heights, where the cere-mony was performed. The newly wedded couple then returned to the city and re-paired to the home of the groom, 22 North Moore street where they are now at home

Moore street, when the to their friends.

Contrary to all expectations, when the father of the bride heard of the elopement ne was disposed to look at the matter in philosophical light and said that what had already happened could not be avoided. He therefore gave his blessings to his daughter and to his newly acquired on, and there the matter ended.

At the Punkinvine Postoffice From The Calhoun Times. He had a wilderness of red beard and his

sharp eyes showed great determination as he looked in at the postoffice window and "What's two-cent postage stamps wuth?

"They are worth 2 cents," replied the ostmaster. "Oh, you can beat that, shorely. Can't you gimme one stamp an' a postal kyard fer

2 cents?" "No. "You say stamps hain't gone down a bit?" "Not a bit."

"An' cotton an' corn an' everything plum own to nuthin'?"

"We can't help that."
"W'y, I paid 2 cents fer stamps when cotton wuz 9 cents an' wheat \$1!' "That's all true."

"An' you ain't goin' to cut down a bit of "Not a bit."

"Not a bit."

"This is jest simply a plum outrage. I'll go clean to Possum Trot an' quit paternizin' your blamed office. I know I kin git stamps right frum them. They'll gimme a good, fresh, whole stock stamp an' a chaw of good backer fer 2 cents. I don't perpose to be robbed in broad open daylight, if I know myself. You've had a grindin' monorally have just should as long as the population. know myseif. You've had a grindin' mo-noperly here juest about as long as the peo-ple is goin' to stand it, anyhow. You hev jest ground um an ground um with extor-tionate prices until the fust thing you know some 'commodatin' feller will start up an-other postoffice in this town an' bust you higher'n a kite. See ef they don't!"

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in her eyes as did young Mr Petty. It recently a member of the firm of Simon was a case of love at first sight on his & Frohsin, but has been conducting a business of his own for quite awhile.

The mortgages filed yesterday by Mr.

Simon, through his attorneys, Glenn. Slaton & Phillips, are as follows: Atlanta National bank, \$3,000; Mrs. Rosa W. Simon, \$1,500; Glenn, Slaton & Phillips, \$1,000; H. B. Chaffin Company, of New Nork, \$650; E. A. Hirsh, \$1,000; Dunham & Buckley,

of New York, \$250, and Goldschmidt, Brack-art & Co., of New York, \$300.

"The cause of the filing of mortgages," said Mr. Simon last pight, "is due to the fact that one of my creditors pressed me when it was understood that this would not occur. The trouble happens just at the busiest season and I have not had time to arrange matters, and cannot give just the amount of assets and liabilities. I can say, however, that the assets are far above the liabilities and there will not be the slightest difficulty about adjusting the mat-

"Dull trade has been partly to blame for the financial trouble, 1 t as soon as the rush is over I can se te for all that I owe and I will be able to continue in bus ness, I think, without any trouble whatever. The litigation would not have bee the mortgages by the pressur brought by one of my creditors. The receivership application will be heard efore Judge Lumpkin probably during the

BOLD BURGLARY YESTERDAY. F. B. Shepherd's Residence Entered

and \$58 in Money Taken. An unusually bold buglary occurred at the residence of Mr. F. B. Shepherd, at 30 East avenue, yesterday afternoon.

Between the hours of 5 and 6 o'clock a thlef entered the house through the rear window and, ransacking several rooms, escaped with \$58 in cash and has not been

Just how the outlaw did the work without encountering some member of the family is a mystery. Several children were playing in the rear of the house with goat wagons, as well as three grown people inside. The thief entered and not the slighest evidence of his presence was known until one of the servants happened to notice the rear window in the kitchen had been raised and the sash split.

An examination of the house then dis An examination of the house then dis-closed the fact that the outlaw had ran-sacked several rooms, taking various ar-ticles of value. In the rear room, set apart for the servants, he opened a trunk, which contained a small wooden box. In this box was a purse containing \$58 in currency. The money was missing, but the box remained. Immediately after the family discovered they had been robbed the detective department at the sta-tion house was notified and Detective Wal-ton detailed on the case.

ton detailed on the case.

The officer worked on the case up to a late hour last night, but could find no clew to the guilty party. It is probable though, the thief will be caught.

AN ARTISTIC SHOW. Mr. Wolfsheimer's Magnificent Dis-play Attracts a Great Deal of At-

tention.

The Christmas displays this year are handsome and elaborate, but the one that excels by far any display ever shown in this city is that of Mr. Carl Wolfsbeimer, at 130 Whitehall street. The work is the work of an artist, and meats could not be displayed in a more attractive manner. Standing in the center of the door is a dressed beef, and on all sides the most delicious of meats, game and poultry, decorated with ribbons, icing, etc. Turkey is in abundance, some of them weighing as high as twenty-seven pounds, and as fat and luscious as could be.

The pg race is another attractive feature of this display. There are the pigs and their riders salling around the track, and in the judge's stand you see the wise pig with his glasses on, ready to render his decision. All in all, the display cannot be beaten, and Mr. Wolfsheimer is receiving many congratulations on it.

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THE LATTER WILL GO TO TEXAS NEXT Says He Will Put Some Ginger and

Oratory in His Lecture-Mr.

Comstock Leaves for Texas.

Hon. William J. Bryan remained in Atanta only a few hours after delivering his address. He made a brief visit to the Fulton Club, where he attended an informal eception, and returned to the Kimball. Friends spent some time with him and ne retired for a rest of an hour or two at 4 o'clock he was up again, an in half an hour took a Southern railway train for Cincinnati and Chicago. He should

arrive in Chicago this morning.

He expects to spend a part of today and omorrow in going over the proofs of his ook, and on Monday he will probably go o his home in Lincoln.

In January Mr. Bryan will go to Texas to deliver five or six addresses. Some of the larger towns there have been sold, and certified checks are up for the money. He said before leaving Atlanta that he knew his speech should have more snap and ginger in it, and he intended to put it in. He was breaking the ice here in Atlanta. Before he spoke he said he was afraid his audience would be disappointed, as it was not his purpose to be entertaining, but in-

structive. Captain V. E. McBee, who had the contract with Mr. Bryan, had a talk with him on Wednesday and told him of the prop osition to sell which had been made to him. Mr. Bryan was given full informa-tion in regard to the plans, and he readily gave his consent to the transaction. Cap tain McBee stated yesterday that he had sold out at a profit, but he said he was not at liberty to give the names of the pur-chasers. Everything that had been done was with the consent and approval of Mr. Bryan. Captain McBee was charmed with Mr. Bryan and with his course in the whole transaction. And Mr. Bryan was equally pleased with Captain McBee's course. They had a thorough understanding and parted the best of friends, Captain McBee wishing him the greatest success. Mr. Bryan wrote an appreciative letter to Mr. Alexander Comstock, thanking him for his thorough work and his good judgment in arranging for the lecture without in any way compromising him. Mr. Com-stock says that he prizes the letter highly.

As a financial venture, the lecture was neither a failure nor a success. Mr. Com-stock, who handled all the details, said yesterday that no money was lost on it. The receipts were the largest ever known for a lecture in Atlanta, with the possible exception of Henry Stanley's, and that had the backing of the Young Men's, library and all that strong influence back of it. In Texas the lectures will be given under the auspices of local organizations—in some instances, perhaps, of local bimetallic leagues. Mr. Comstock leaves this morning for Houston. He will open headquar-ters in Texas either at Houston or Dallas,

and says that he will work up interest in Mr. Bryan's appearance. While a guaran-tee is given, there is also a provision that if the receipts run above a certain figure the management's share is to be 75 per cent of the gross. So the larger the crowd, the more there will be in it for the man agement. Mr. Bryan is not grasping. He says that he does not want any one to lose money on him. He has things in view other than lecturing, and may stop for awhile after the Texas contracts are filled. He does not care to be away from his home as much as a long circuit of address-es would require. He is very fond of his home and family and says that he does not

care to make great sums of money.

"All I want is enough to live on comfortably and to educate my children," he said to a representative of The Constitution, "My needs are modest and when I accumulate sufficient to keep the wolf from the door I shall not speak for pay." Mr. Bryan has invitations to write for one or two magazines at prices which will be highly remunerative. This is congenial work to him, and when he returns from Texas he will write some articles, or per-haps a book which certain publishers desire. The book which he has in press not is largely a history of the bimetallic move-ment in the recent campaign, going back to the time the first address from Washington two or three years ago. It will contain a number of speeches delivered at different times by men promi-nent in the silver side of the fight, and as historical record will be very valuable.

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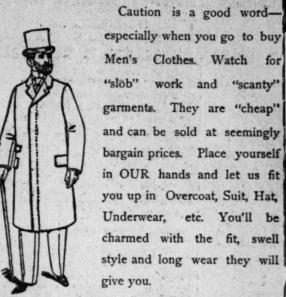
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This will be a sad Christmas in the family of R. D. Greer, of 17 Warren Place. Litley Greer, the eighteen-months-old in-fant of Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Greer died yesterday morning at their residence, 17 War-ren Place. The death of the infant was entirely unexpected by its parents; the

cause was membranous croup.

This is the second death that has occurred in this family this week. The first occured last Monday, the eldest child of Mr. and Mrs. Greer expiring of membranous croup. The infant which died yesterday was the last child of the bereaved parents One week ago their home was filled with the laughter and prattle of their little ones, but now they have passed away and in

the place of paternal pride and joy is to be found only sorrow. Theirs is a sad Christmas and one far different from what was expected. The funeral services will be held at the residence this morning at 11 o'clock and the interment will be at Westview cemetery.

CONSIDERED SMALLPOX CASE.

Meeting of the Board of Health Held

Yesterday Afternoon. The board of health met yesterday af ternoon and discussed the smallpox situa-tion. The meeting was not occasioned by reason of any new and sensational develpments, but was held for the purpose of considering certain measures which the board deemed advisable to adopt in order to prevent any further appearance of the disease in the city. "We are not the least bit apprehensive

of any danger from smallpox here in At-lanta," said Dr. J. F. Alexander, president of the board, "for the one case we now have on hand is properly isolated, and all persons who have in any way been ex-posed have been vaccinated, and in my opinion the two poisons will have such a tussle that in no case will the patient break out or have the usual smallpox eruption. If any of the suspects should be infected with the germs of smallpox I do not think there would be anything but fever. A person who develops a case of smallpox after vaccination could hardly give it to others, and every single indi-vidual who has been exposed has already

been vaccinated. "The board is on the alert, however, and if any new cases should be developed we are in a position to handle the disease so as to prevent it from spreading.'

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CHANGE OCCURS WEDNESDAY NOW BEFORE THE GOVERNOR

Its Provisions Will Play Sad Havon with the Fat Incomes of the

Governor Atkinson has before him for consideration a bill which is of great importance to every solicitor general and every solicitor in the state of Georgia. Besides being of importance to these officials, the bill is one of great interest to

all citizens of Georgia. The bill is entitled, "An act to provide for the payment of costs of court in the trial of misdemeanor cases in this state and for other purposes.

The object of this bill is to regulate the payment of the costs in misdemeanor cases to the solicitor general or solicitor, and provides that instead of his receiving the costs heretofore allowed, they shall be paid by the county treasurer.

The money to be paid them by the county treasurer is to be taken from the funds arising from the employment of convicts which are paid into the county treasury less the expense of the employment of the convicts. In other words, the money to be set aside as costs for the solicitors is not to exceed the proceeds of the leasing of the convicts, and if this money should be inadequate for the purpose, there is no provision for money with which to pay the

prosecuting attorneys.

If a solicitor, under the new act, were to try a misdemeanor case and fail to convict the man tried, there is no provision made for the payment of the costs which he should have received and would have received under the present law.

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As the matter now stands, if a solicitor fails to convict a prisoner the costs be would have received, had the man been convicted, are what are known as insolvent costs. When a man is fined and pays the fine, being convicted by the same solicitor, this solicitor receives from the amount of the fine his insolvent costs.

The new law makes no provision for a matter of this kind, and if construed correctly would give to the collection and the construed correctly.

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The bill is a short one, but means a great deal. It is given in full, as follows:

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"Section 1. Be it enacted by the general assembly of the state of Georgia. That from and after the passage of this act, the cost of the trial of all misdemeanor cases in the courts of this state, including the fees of the prosecuting attorneys, shall be paid by the county treasurers out of the general county fund, upon the approval of the cost bills of the officers of said court for said cost by the commissioners of roads and revenues, or by the ordinary in those counties that have no commissioners of roads and revenues, provided the amount so paid shall not exceed the funds arising from the employment of the convicts which are paid into the county treasury, less the expenses of the employment of such convicts.

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"Sec. 2. Be it further enacted, That all laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act be and the same are hereby repealed."

This is the bill, and it will probably meet with the disapproval of every solicitor and solicitor general in the entire state. If it were signed it might be expected that resignations would come in, because in many of the counties the solicitors could

many of the counties the solicitors could not make a living were the costs paid in the manner required by the bill.

Governor Atkinson has until tonight in which to sign or veto the bill. He is giving it full consideration, and though he has not decided what course he will take, there is every possibility that this will be the first bill passed by the present general assembly which the governor will veto.

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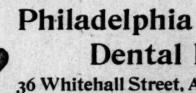
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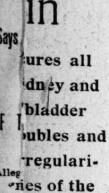
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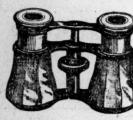
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SECOND CHILD DIES.

Sad Christmas for Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Greer.

This will be a sad Christmas in the amily of R. D. Greer, of 17 Warren Place. Litley Greer, the eighteen-months-old inant of Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Greer died yesterday morning at their residence, 17 War-ren Place. The death of the infant was entirely unexpected by its parents; the cause was membranous croup.

This is the second death that has occur-

ed in this family this week. The first occured last Monday, the eldest child of Mr. and Mrs. Greer expiring of membranous croup. The infant which died yesterday was the last child of the bereaved parents. One week ago their home was filled with the laughter and prattle of their little ones, but now they have passed away and in the place of paternal pride and joy is to be found only sorrow.

Theirs is a sad Christmas and one far different from what was expected. The funeral services will be held at the resi-

dence this morning at 11 o'clock and the interment will be at Westview cemetery.

CONSIDERED SMALLPOX CASE.

Meeting of the Board of Health Held

Yesterday Afternoon. The board of health met yesterday afernoon and discussed the smallpox situation. The meeting was not occasioned by eason of any new and sensational developments, but was held for the purpose of considering certain measures which the board deemed advisable to adopt in order to prevent any further appearance of the disease in the city.

"We are not the least bit apprehensive

of any danger from smallpox here in At-lanta," said Dr. J. F. Alexander, president of the board, "for the one case we now have on hand is properly isolated, and all persons who have in any way been exosed have been vaccinated, and in my opinion the two poisons will have such a tussle that in no case will the patient break out or have the usual smallpox breuption. If any of the suspects should be infected with the germs of smallpox I do not think there would be anything but fever. A person who develops a case of smallpox after vaccination could hardly give it to others, and every single individual who has been exposed has already

been vaccinated.
"The board is on the alert, however, and if any new cases should be developed we are in a position to handle the disease so

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## BARNES'S BUSY DAYS CUT FOR SOLICITORS

Sheriff and Mis Deputies Are Preparing A Bill Which Affects the Income of All

CHANGE OCCURS WEDNESDAY NOW BEFORE THE GOVERNOR

Its Provisions Will Play Sad Havos with the Fat Incomes of the Solicitors General.

Governor Atkinson has before him for consideration a bill which is of great importance to every solicitor general and every solicitor in the state of Georgia, Besides being of importance to these officials, the bill is one of great interest to all citizens of Georgia.

The bill is entitled, "An act to provide for the payment of costs of court in the trial of misdemeanor cases in this state and for other purposes."

The object of this bill is to regulate the payment of the costs in misdemeaner cases to the solicitor general or solicitor, and provides that instead of his receiving the costs heretofore allowed, they shall be paid by the county treasurer.

The money to be paid them by the county treasurer is to be taken from the funds rising from the employment of convicts which are paid into the county treasury less the expense of the employment of the convicts. In other words, the money to be set aside as costs for the solicitors is no to exceed the proceeds of the leasing of the convicts, and if this money should be nadequate for the purpose, there is no provision for money with which to pay the prosecuting attorneys.

If a solicitor, under the new act, were to

try a misdemeanor case and fail to con-vict the man tried, there is no provision made for the payment of the costs which he should have received and would have received under the present law.

As the matter now stands, if a solicitor

As the matter now stands, it a solution falls to convict a prisoner the costs he would have received, had the man been convicted, are what are known as insolvent costs. When a man is fined and pays the day he have convicted by the arms so. the fine, being convicted by the same so-licitor, this solicitor receives from the amount of the fine his insolvent costs. The new law makes no provision for a

The new law makes no provision for a matter of this kind, and if construed correctly, would give to the solicitors and solicitor general only a bare living.

The bill is a short one, but means a great deal. It is given in full, as follows:

"An act to provide for the payment of costs of court in the trial of misdemeanor cases in this state and for other purposes.

"Section 1. Be it enacted by the general assembly of the state of Georgia, That from and after the passage of this act, the cost of the trial of all misdemeanor cases in the courts of this state, including the fees of the prosecuting attorneys, shall cases in the courts of this state, including the fees of the prosecuting attorneys, shall be paid by the county treasurers out of the general county fund, upon the approval of the cost bills of the officers of said court for said cost by the commissioners of roads and revenues, or by the ordinary in those counties that have no commissioners of roads and revenues, provided the amount so paid shall not exceed the funds arising from the employment of the convicts which are paid into the county treasury, less the expenses of the employment of such convicts.

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"Sec. 2. Be it further enacted, That all laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act be and the same are hereby repealed."

This is the bill, and it will probably meet with the disapproval of every solicitor and solicitor general in the entire state. If it were signed it might be expected that resignations would come in, because in many of the counties the solicitors could not make a living were the costs paid in the manner required by the bill.

Governor Atkinson has until tonight in which to sign or veto the bill. He is giving it full consideration, and though he has not decided what course he will take, there is every possibility that this will be the first bill passed by the present general assembly which the governor will veto.

HOME FOR COLORED ORPHANS. Excellent Charity Among the Negroes of the City.

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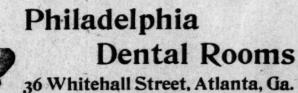
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